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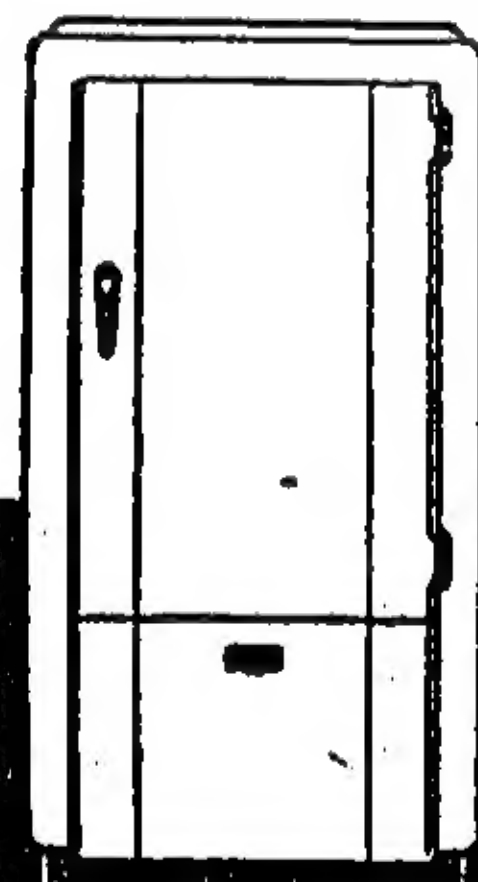
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COMPOSER'S LAST SONG PLAYED AT FUNERAL

Organist Locked Door To Practise It

Twenty-six people in mourning sat in the pews of Golders Green Crematorium, N.W., recently and heard the last great love song that Archie Emmett Adams had composed.

Emmett Adams, who wrote "The Bells of St. Mary's" and the war song, "God Send You Back To Me," composed the song when he was dying.

His sister arranged it because he was too weak and his hand wavered. Then he sealed the score and said it was not to be played in public until his funeral.

LIFE'S INSPIRATION IN THE MUSIC

It was Mr. Bell Chamber, the chapel organist, who gave the song its first expression. He had locked the doors when he practised the day before.

He said he felt proud. He knew that there was the inspiration of a man's life in the music. Emmett Adams, whose melodies sold a million copies, said the song was the greatest of his life. He wanted to be remembered by it, and he put all his talent into the tune.

The organist had played "Abide With Me." Below him was the coffin, laden with red roses and purple anemones. There was a minute's pause—then the rich, romantic tune floated down. The choir were silent. The song was typical of all Emmett Adams's love songs. He called it "Life's Great Sunset."

Adams who wrote so sensitively of love, was a bachelor.

He left careful instructions with his sister, Mrs. Edward Mahon, about his funeral. After the song there was to be the blessing, then his burial, and red roses on the coffin. He did not want too much weeping.

He knew he was dying. He staged his funeral deliberately.

WORKED MONTHS ON SONG

The song was his requiem, and he spent months working on it. It was arranged for the piano, and Emmett Adams was the only person who had played it through until the previous day's performance.

He hated jazz. He called it the "dregs and off scourings" of music, and he hoped his last song would bring a revival of the old romantic love lyric.

Every one went away from the service saying it was one of the most beautiful pieces of music they had ever heard. Stage stars said it

Divorce Law Beats Judge

In the Divorce Court recently Mr. Justice Langton said he had tried to grant a decree to a husband, but was unable to do so.

A dental surgeon, Mr. Eric Walter Marthews, of Bolingbroke-grove, Wandsworth, S.W., sought divorce on the ground that his wife, Mrs. Linda Marthews, had deserted him. Mr. Justice Langton said he would have had no difficulty in finding desertion proved were it not for the fact that Mr. Marthews filed a petition for separation in February, 1937.

At that time less than three years had elapsed since the date of the alleged desertion, and in January, 1938, Mr. Marthews withdrew this petition.

It became clear, continued Mr. Justice Langton, that in filing the original petition Mr. Marthews was the victim of some foolish advice on the part of a solicitor's managing clerk in the employ of a solicitor who was at that time, but was no longer, acting as legal adviser to Mr. Marthews.

"I am, therefore, not ashamed to confess that I have aided and abetted Mr. R. J. A. Temple (counsel for Mr. Marthews) in his praiseworthy efforts to attempt to find a loophole." He held that the case must fail because proceedings for a separation prevented a petitioner from pleading that the period of desertion was running while the suit was being maintained.

was going to be a real Adams' success.

Within three hours the score was being played in the trial room of a music publisher in Mortimer-street, W.

"Swell," said the pianist.

Guy Fawkes Thrills

251 London Fire Calls On Nov. 5

Nine people were injured and taken to hospital when an auxiliary fire service van on which were seven firemen crashed into a wall at the junction of Lavender-road and Greek-street, Battersea, on Guy Fawkes night.

To add to the irony of the accident, the call was a needless one merely to stamp out a little smouldering rubbish.

This was one of the major casualties of Guy Fawkes night.

Over 640 square miles of Hertfordshire the flash of giant crackers, the whistle of rockets and the glare of bonfire heralded Britain's greatest A.R.P. black-out.

During the "black-out" 200 villages and towns fringing London were darkened for three hours. Main line trains travelled with drawn blinds and all types of road vehicles drove with dimmed lights.

Twelve thousand A.R.P. volunteers were on duty throughout the area. They included medical services, fire brigade personnel, decontamination and general utility squads and air raid wardens.

Overhead roared R.A.F. bombers.

DANCING CROWD

At Lewes a mile-long procession of men, women and children in fancy costumes danced through the streets to maintain the traditional bonfire night demonstrations. This year the dictators were burned in effigy.

Fifty people were arrested for discharging fireworks in the streets.

Firemen were booted and pelted with fireworks by children in Finsbury Park when they arrived to extinguish bonfires on the roadway. At first as one fire was put out smaller ones were started by the children.

While children were letting off fireworks at Lowestoft a rocket fell into the yard of German herring exporters setting fire to stacks fifty feet high of boxes prepared for shipment. Forty thousand were destroyed and the damage was estimated at £2,000.

Four undergraduates were arrested in the Cambridge firework row last night. They turned out street lamps.

Five hundred pounds damage was caused in a Southampton cycle shop when fireworks exploded there. But the busiest people of all were the L.C.C. fire brigade who, by 10.30 p.m. had answered 261 calls, compared with forty to fifty on a normal night.

Golfer Hit By Ball, Lost Eye

A golfer who alleged that he was struck in the eye by a ball played by another golfer on the Cliftonville course brought an action for damages in the Northern Ireland High Court recently.

The claim was made by Albert Potter, plumber, of Belfast, against Samuel Carlisle, junior, linen clerk, of Belfast. He alleged negligence against Carlisle, and against the Cliftonville Golf Club in the construction of the course.

Mr. E. S. Murphy, K.C., for Potter, said that Potter drove a ball which slightly overran the seventh green. He had just used his putter when he was struck in the left eye by a ball driven by Carlisle from the 8th tee, about 30 yards away.

"PULLED SHOT"

Potter, whose eye was removed in hospital, said he heard no warning shout.

Replying to Mr. Beattie, K.C., for the club, Potter said that he supposed the real reason for the accident was that Carlisle pulled his shot.

Sidney Fairweather, professional to the Malone Golf Club, Belfast, said that he would not drive off the eighth tee when a player was standing in the front part of the seventh green.

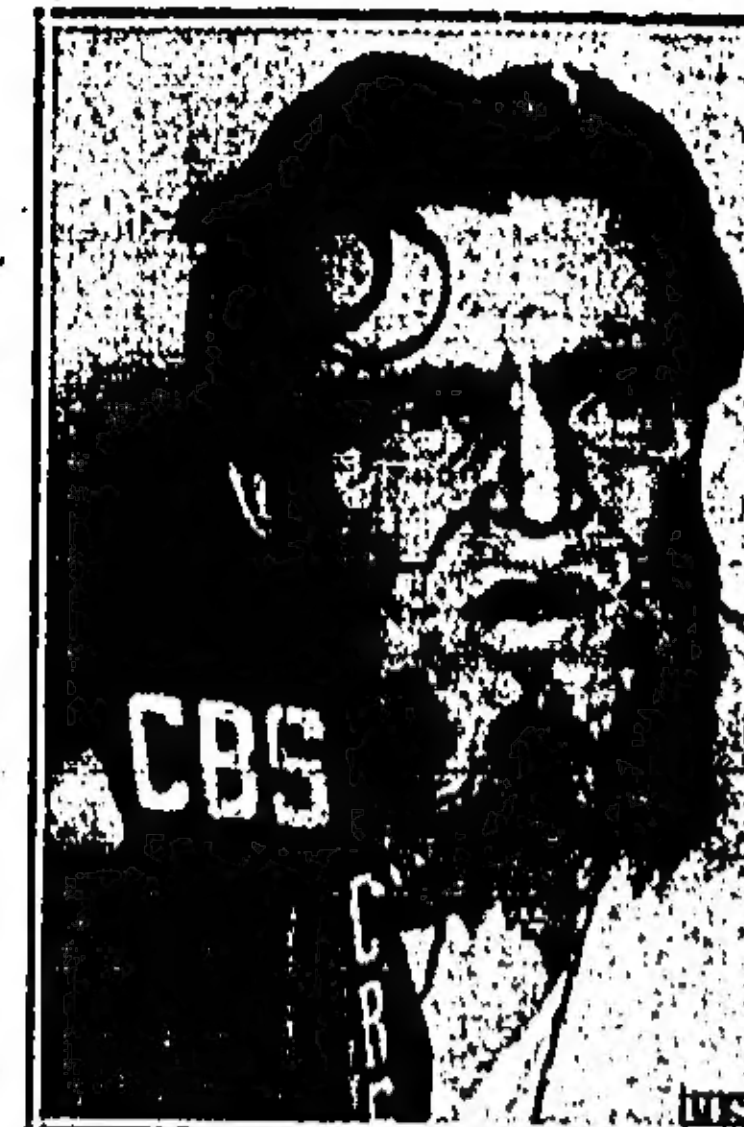
He added that no person was absolutely safe on a golf course.

The hearing was adjourned.

Fate Ironical Luck Kind

Chico, Cal.

Ray Grant believes in the irony of fate. It was his fate to be driving to a safety meeting when another car came crashing into his machine. However, he escaped injury and immediately speeded up for the safety meeting.



Mass hysteria swept America during a broadcast of H. G. Wells' fantasy, "The War of Worlds," and led thousands to believe that widespread death had visited New York and New Jersey. Innumerable telephone calls were made. Above is Orson Welles, who made the broadcast, as "The Shadow," left, and as he is in real life.

Mended Broken Marriages, Blamed Films

"PEACEMAKER" DIES

Mender of Brighton's broken marriages, Mr. Benjamin James Saunders, nicknamed "The Peacemaker," died at his home in Springfield Road, Brighton, recently, aged 82.

For 24 years he had been a magistrate, and in that time scores of couples who came before him for separation orders left the court arm-in-arm—thanks to his sound advice. He could speak with authority. Until his wife died a few years ago, they had for more than half a century been the ideal married couple.

Mr. Saunders thought that films were the cause of a great deal of unhappiness in marriage.

"They give women wrong ideas about life," he continued. "Many working-class wives are upset and discontented by what they see on the films and apply for a separation merely because they are 'fed up' with their husbands and homes."

"Husbands have their faults, just as women have. A man should not think of her as his slave. He should always treat her as his sweetheart."

On another occasion, he declared: "Husbands want comfort first; too many wives want pleasure first."

"Take an adjournment for a month" was his advice when husband and wife were glaring at each other from opposite sides of the court. "You don't want all your private affairs discussed here. It will only make matters worse."

Then Mr. Saunders would get to work behind the scenes and out of court hours. Often, husband and wife would call round at his house to talk it over, or Mr. Saunders would go round to find out how things were going.

TRIBUTES FOR THE POOR. Official Brighton attended the funeral service at the Parish Church, where he had been a warden for many years.

Into the church also went poor and unknown people. They were people he had helped, some of those he had saved from prison or had been forced to sentence and afterwards assisted. There were now happy couples to pay a last tribute to his patience and understanding.

Help for deserving cases before him was always forthcoming—but it was always anonymous. He gave away hundreds of pounds.

Mr. Saunders wanted to die working. He once said: "I shall be quite happy if I go suddenly one morning when the usher says 'That's all the business of the Court.'"

Prison For Woman Motorist

A woman motorist was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment by the Marylebone magistrate recently and her licence was suspended for two years.

She was Mrs. Violet Marie O'Connor, (42), a naval commander's widow, living at Winding Wood, Tilford, Surrey. It was alleged that she was under the influence of drink while in charge of a car.

In January, 1937, it was said she was fined £5 with costs for a similar offence and on that occasion her licence was suspended for 12 months.

INEFFICIENT BRAKES. Mr. E. A. Carso (prosecuting) said Mrs. O'Connor drove into the rear of a stationary taxicab. She said to the cab driver: "I am sorry; my damn brakes are no use."

That proved to be true; the cable was slack and the brakes were hopelessly inefficient.

Mrs. O'Connor said she had two sherrys with friends, but was quite sober. Everything was all right until her brakes suddenly failed as she was pulling up behind the taxicab. The collision caused shock and she was terrified while she was being examined by the police doctor.

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GEORGE V SAID HE'D ABDICATE

King George V once declared he would abdicate rather than sit through "Hamlet," a second time Queen Mary's father, the Duke of Teck, washed himself from head to foot on the eve of battle in Egypt so that if he were killed his body would be found "quite clean."

The thirteenth Earl and Countess Strathmore, grandparents of the present Queen, provided their women guests with nightcaps.

These are among the anecdotes selected from his celebrities' gallery and told for the first time by Sir George Arthur in his memoirs, published recently (Longmans, Green and Company, 12s. 6d.), under the modest title, "Not Worth Reading."

Friend and confidant of Royalty and famous personalities for more than half a century, Sir George unveils the secrets of a daily stocked with intimate intimacies of Edwardian and Victorian society.

Among his pictures of this glittering period is that of Queen Mary as a young girl whose "sweet voice" won her admiration at her parents' drawing-room parties and soirées.

THE BRAYPIES
A different figure in the eighties, however, was the brilliant Comtesse de Paris, who entertained at St. James, and "proved herself at Sandringham to be a crack shot, bringing down birds right and left with perfect nonchalance, and generally with a cigar in her mouth."

One guest at a State Ball at the Palace about the same time, he recalls, was credited with the remark sotto voce, "that the music of the bagpipes suggested the precise noise a donkey would make if it suddenly fell into hell."

Referring to the sombre household of Queen Victoria after the Prince Consort's death, Sir George reveals that a budding statesman of the day made it a condition of his accepting office that he should never be called upon to act as Minister-in-Attendance in the Highlands.

Lord Kitchener made Sir George, his old friend and colleague, his personal secretary on his appointment as War Minister; and he tells of the famous soldier's comment when the pen which he was handed to write his first official signature failed to function: "Dear me, what a War Office—not a scrap of army and no pen that will write!"

The War Minister's comment on Mr. Lloyd George was: "The little Welshman is peppery, but he means to win the war which is what matters."

Divorce and £2,000 For Husband
Damages of £2,000 were awarded in the Divorce Court recently to Mr. Reginald Ellis, Vesper Road, Kirkcaldy, Leeds, on the ground of the adultery of his wife, Agnes, Lillian Josephine (née Stringer), with Mr. Tom Woodcock, cited as co-respondent.

The case was defended and Mrs. Ellis cross-petitioned for divorce, alleging cruelty. Mr. Ellis contested this charge.

Adultery was alleged at Mr. and Mrs. Ellis's home and in a motor-car. Mrs. Ellis and Mr. Woodcock, in the witness-box, denied that they had committed adultery.

LIGHTLESS CAR
Mr. Justice Langton, summing-up, said Mr. Ellis and an inquiry agent had said that they found Mrs. Ellis and Mr. Woodcock in a motor-car in an unfrequented lane. The car's lights were out.

The case for Mrs. Ellis and Mr. Woodcock was that they knew they were being followed, and sat in the car, smoking cigarettes, until Mr. Ellis and the agent arrived.

Suddenly an incredible figure emerges from a tent pitched nearby. It is a white woman, a little old lady dressed in the fashion of forty years ago, with a toque hat, a blouse with a stiff white stand-up collar and tie, and a long skirt.

The woman pushes her way fearlessly among the savages and speaks to them quietly in their own language.

"All you grandsons bring your spears to me," she says.

It is as if she had reprimanded a meeting of little Sunday school children.

The savages come up one by one and give her their spears and the little Victorian old lady arranges them in neat piles.

HER RECORD
The lonely little white woman who did it is one of the most astonishing women in the British Empire.

Her name is Daisy Bates and any one who sees her would think she belonged to some whitened freckle-side with china dogs in a genteel seaside resort.

The reality is that she has spent forty years of her life, from thirty-six to seventy-six, alone in the Australian bush among the murdering savages, for whom she has sacrificed everything.

We should never have known of it if Mrs. Bates had not decided, before she died, to retire to civilisation for a couple of years to write her simple record.

It is called "The Passing of the Aborigines" (John Murray, 10s. 6d.), and it is a book that thousands will soon want to read.

Daisy Bates went to Australia in 1899. She saw that the aborigines were losing their hunting grounds and breaking up their old tribes. She saw that they were Stone Age men who could never catch up with civilisation.

FORSAKE ALL
The only way she saw of helping them practically was to give up everything and go to the wilds to live with them in all their nakedness and cannibalism, and minister to them there.

So she did it. By a miracle she was not eaten in the first few years. She lived in a tent. She procured food from towns to replace the tribes' exterminated game, so that her cannibals should not starve.

She tolerated cannibalism without revulsion until her influence was great enough to stop it. She cooked for the cannibals and doctored them with her simple medicines. Never showing disgust, even when a mother ate her baby, she gained their confidence.

THEY LOVED HER
As she travelled from tribe to tribe learning gradually their 188 dialects, the cannibals began to love her. True, they thought her strange. The naked women roared with

laughter as she laced on her Victorian corsets.

But wherever she camped remnants of tribes would follow to be with her.

Smoke signals would send news of her presence right across that great continent, and a family of savages would travel 1,000 miles to be with her.

She received the honourable title of Kabbarril—grandmother. She was credited with magic powers. The men taught her their secret rituals which it was death to their own women to see.

And when the cannibals came in contact with the white man and she cut wood for their fires—and guarded them from setting themselves alight.

Later she would cook for them and afterwards filled and lit their pipes.

No task was too lowly for her to perform. The most awesome of the three was an old man who had eaten his three baby sisters and many another. He was mad.

Often he would fly to her tent in some night terror. She would lead him gently back, wrap him in his blanket, stroke up his fire. Then she would warm him with a drink of tea and a pipe of tobacco and talk him to sleep.

A few days before his death he ran away. She searched for him for five hours and found him naked and exhausted in a clump of bushes. She hoisted the old savage on her back, this elderly Victorian lady, and gently trudged on until she brought him back to his bed.

Ex-Slave Marks 98th Year

Mount Salem, Ont.
Mrs. Amanda Graves, daughter of a slave who escaped from the United States into Canada by the famous "Underground Railway," has celebrated her 98th birthday here.

53 HOURS GAVE ROGER THE RIGHT TO CALL BRIAN "JUNIOR"

Two days after giving birth to a son, Mrs. J. O. J. Stevens, wife of a Farnham (Surrey) solicitor, has had a twin boy. Roger (6lb. 5oz.) was born at 4 p.m.; Brian (6lb. 11oz.) at 9 p.m. two days later, so that the difference in their ages is 53 hours.

Even stranger cases of twins born apart are on record. . . .

A London surgeon said that he was present two years ago at the birth of a twin three months after the birth of the first. "That was the longest case in my knowledge."

Four years ago a woman gave birth to a child on the Isle of Skarpa. Two days later, after being rushed by boat to Stormaway, 48 miles away, a second child was born.

Twins have been born 120 miles apart in Australia.

A mother who lived in New Herrington (Durham) was taken to New castle to give birth to a second "twin."

University College Hospital had a case two years ago of twins born four days apart, but the second child died a few days later.

Seventy years ago a family in the British peerage received two additions with an interval of 16 weeks.

Last August twins were born a day apart to Mrs. Eric Humphries (Miss Sally Carson, the playwright).

Parrot Imitates Skyrocket

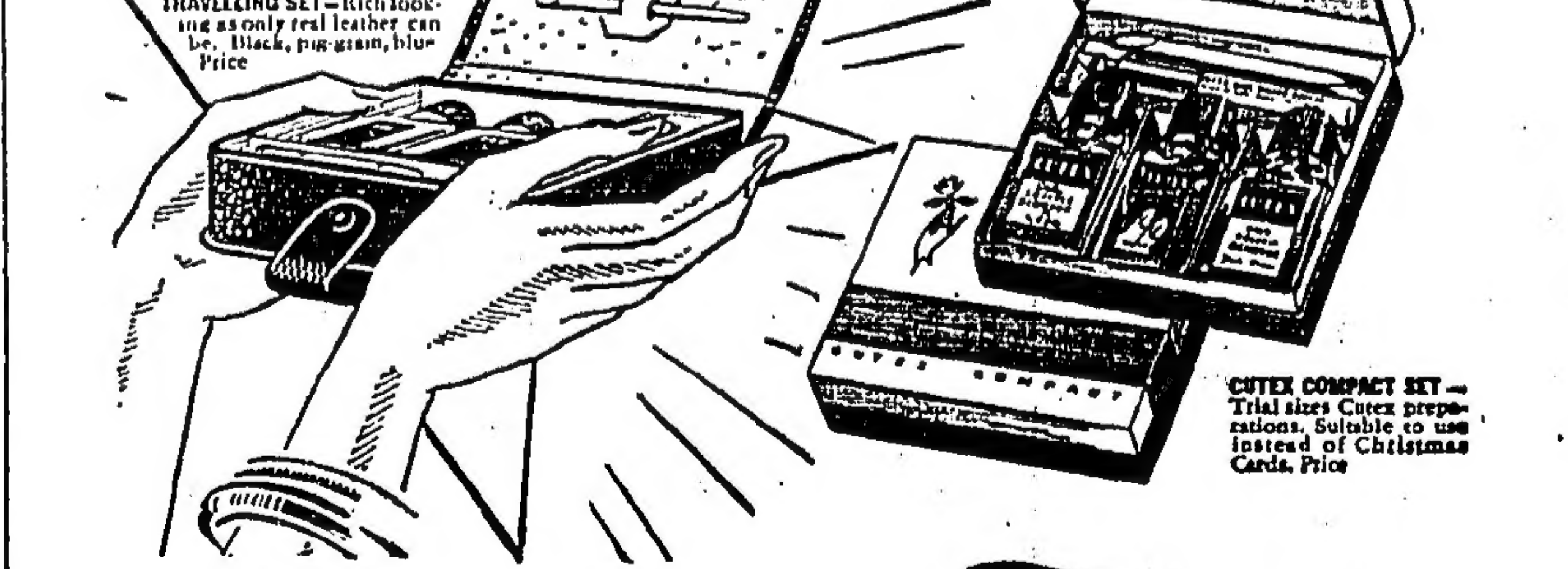
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When Herbert C. Toles' highly gifted talking parrot left its perch and took to a tall tree, he finally fired four skyrockets past it in an effort to make it come down. In the end he was obliged to shoo up the tree after it. Once back on its perch, the parrot was able to give a passable imitation of the noise made by a rocket whizzing past.



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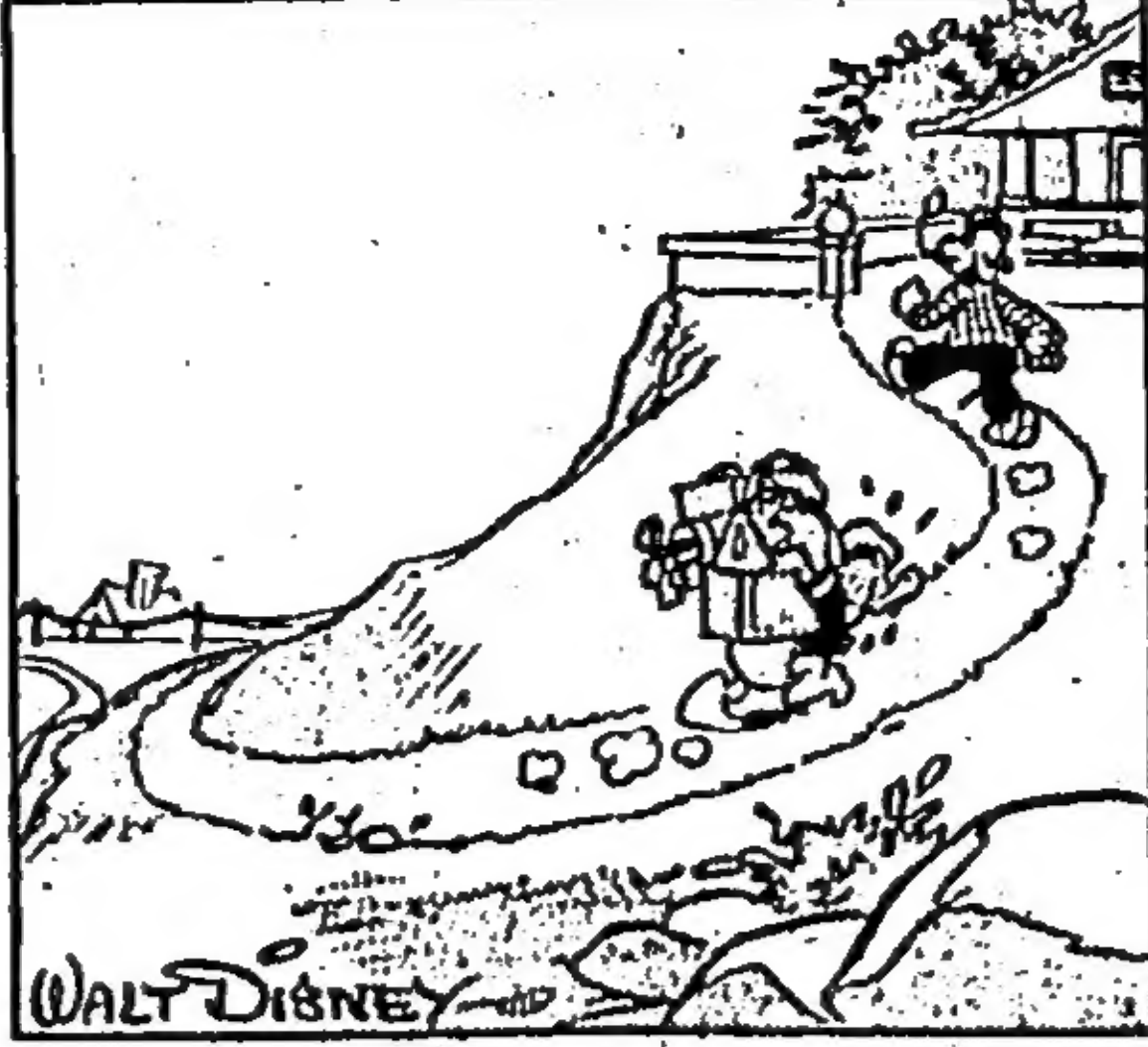
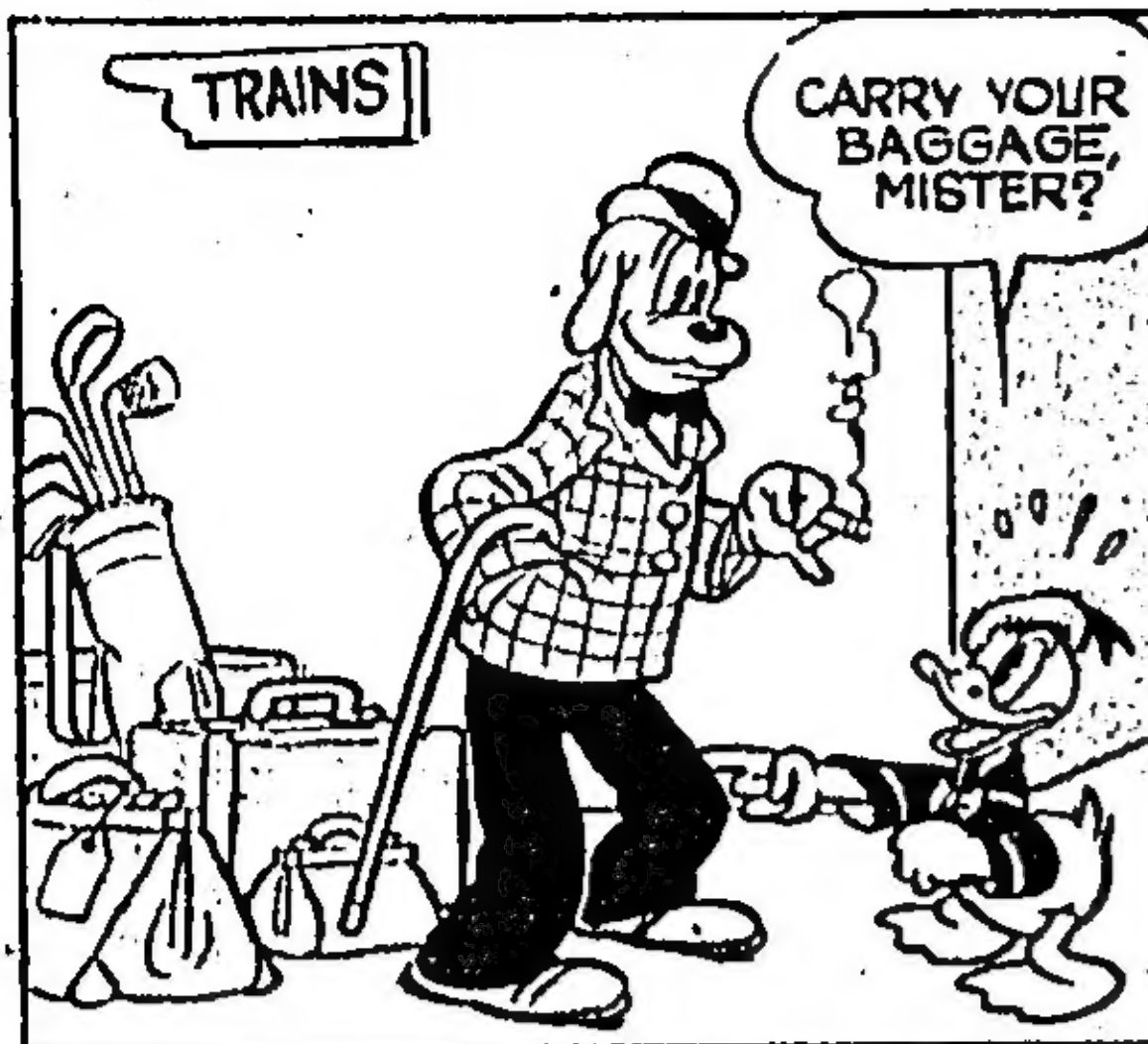
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VISIT TO PERSIA

Dean Wilson's Address To Rotary Club

The Hongkong Rotary Club was entertained yesterday by a vivid and humorous description of a visit to Persia given by the Dean of St. John's Cathedral, the Rev. J. L. Wilson.

The Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan presided and, with the guests, he welcomed the return from furlough of Major R. D. Walker, General Manager of the Kowloon-Canton Railway.

Major Walker said he visited Rotary Clubs in England, America and the Continent, including Czechoslovakia and Hungary. He went to the Los Angeles Rotary Club and found it large and extremely well-run and friendly.

The President reminded those present of the Rotary Club's efforts to raise money for the Chinese refugees, and reference was made to work which the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow had put into the project.

Dean Wilson was then called upon to speak. He said, in brief:

I arrived at the end of November, 1923, at Abadan, having made the journey out in a tanker of the company known then as the Anglo-Persian Oil Company. Abadan literally translated means "the never, never land" but this has a nursery connotation implying a land of beautiful dreams. That is not the idiomatic translation which is rather, abadan—"the last place God made." (Laughter). This is much more true of the place. I was glad I had not to stay there long, but was able to go up in a small motor boat up the wide river Tigris to Mohammerah. Here I stayed a few nights getting stores for my journey because there were no hotels and no inns other than the wretched caravansaries for the 300 mile journey up to Isfahan. There was one other break in the journey at a place called Ahwaz. To reach there we had to go in a little paddle steamer up the Karoon river, a river difficult to chart because of the shifting sands.

Ordeal By Water

We soon found ourselves stuck on a sand bank and all the efforts and shifting were of no avail to get us off. We stayed there for two and a half days. A sand storm swept over us and made everything gritty. To make things worse, someone split a large oil can over the remaining food. There were five of us on board in a very small space, two Persians, an Indian, and a Belgian. None of us knew each others languages.

Eventually the ship was dragged off the sand bank or the sand bank

KULING FOREIGNERS

Evacuation Refused By Chinese Authorities

Shanghai, Dec. 6. It is expected that the evacuation of the Kuling summer resort by about 30 foreigners failed to materialise to-day when the Chinese military authorities on Mount Lushan refused to permit them to come down according to Japanese reports.

The refusal is said to have been based on the ground that they could not understand the meaning of the telegram from the National Government officials giving permission for the trip. The message was brought to Kuling by a British gunboat.

Lieut. J.M.S. Cox of H.M.S. Cockchafer who went to a point half way up the mountain yesterday to meet a party returned to-day alone. The British and American officers are going up the mountain tomorrow to renew negotiations with the Chinese authorities. If successful, the party of foreigners marooned in Kuling for many months will be sent down and go to Shanghai by passenger boat.—Reuter.

Itself shifted and we moved on to Awaz.

From there, said the speaker, he went by mule train to Isfahan with the most ruffianly-looking but courteous crew. He did not know much of horses or mules and nothing of the language, and the journey was complicated by the fact that a preceding traveller had said a doctor was following him. The villagers accordingly brought all their sicknesses to be healed. Police guards who had paid to get their jobs, demanded their toll of the traveller and ran away at the sight of robbers. The mules were wonderfully sure-footed but the journey on narrow paths with a 3,000-foot drop on one side was most unnerving.

One day, the caravan refused to travel because one of their number and sneezed twice only—a great danger to the superstitions.

In Isfahan he was met by a wonderful reception. It had been prepared for the Shah, but his polite friends told him it had been got ready for him and was being maintained because the Shah happened to be coming!

The bazaars were wonderful centres of industry, intrigue and trouble. Along their labyrinths flowed the pulse of the town.

Many improvements had taken place under the present ruler of the country. Century old traditions and customs had been abandoned, improvements in engineering, in roads, in railways, in Government, had taken place; but the charm, the beauty and the poetry of the country still lived on, and their art and culture would remain for ever a contribution to the treasury of the world.

The speaker was thanked by Professor C. A. Middleton Smith for his address.

THE REFUGEES

Meeting Of Fund Administrators

The first meeting of the Board of Administrators was held in the Council Chamber on Thursday, December 1, at 5.30 p.m., at which the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Chairman, presided.

The following were also present: Hon. Sir Robert Kewell (Deputy Chairman).

Hon. Mr. W. J. Carrie (Appointed by H.E. the Governor vice the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North on leave.)

Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau.

Hon. Mr. R. O. Hall.

Hon. Dr. Li Shu Fan.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C.

Hon. Mr. K. Lo (Hon. Secretary).

A letter of apology for inability to attend was received from the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow.

An application for assistance in connection with the relief ship s.s. Wuchang was received from the Hongkong Emergency Refugee Council and was fully considered. Bishop Hall having made a detailed statement showing the total expenditure incurred in respect of the relief ship, it was decided that the Hongkong Emergency Refugee Council of \$50,000. Further, in regard to the \$20,000 (National Currency) donated by Bishop Hall at his discretion for relief of refugees in Hongkong, which was paid by Bishop Hall into the Fund, it was decided that the Fund should pay out the equivalent in Hongkong Currency, amounting to \$10,781.07, to the Emergency Refugee Council.

An appeal from Dr. Wong Man on behalf of the Canton International Red Cross was fully considered. It was felt that the Canton International Red Cross work on behalf of the sick and wounded in various areas in Kwangtung, Kwangsi, and Hunan, was worthy of support, and it was decided that this appeal should be referred to the Emergency Refugee Council for further consideration and action.

An appeal from the Chairman of the Commercial and Industrial Association in Samshui District for a donation for relief work in that area was considered, and it was decided to refer this appeal to the Emergency Refugee Council for consideration and action.

It was decided that the Emergency Refugee Council should apply to the Fund for any further sums that might be necessary to enable the Council to continue its relief work in Hongkong.

The meeting adjourned at 6.30 p.m.

CATHEDRAL JUBILEE

Solemn Ceremonies Of Conservation

On Thursday, December 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, the Golden Jubilee of the Catholic Cathedral in Hongkong will be celebrated. The first Cathedral of the Vicariate was built in 1863 by Mr. Ambrose in Pottinger Street, but the rapid increase in population made it necessary to erect a more spacious building. Mr. Raimundt to collect the necessary funds undertook a painful journey through South America, and while he was still there, the present edifice was inaugurated on December 8, 1868.

Since that date there has been a truly remarkable expansion of Catholic life in the Colony. There are now ten public churches, and within the last decade about forty new Catholic buildings have been blessed and inaugurated. During the past year there have been 10,000 baptisms and the number of communions, for the same period, has reached almost 1,000,000.

As an act of thanksgiving the Cathedral will be solemnly consecrated on Thursday. By that act it will be made a "House of Prayer" set aside for all time to the service of God. It may never afterwards be put to any other use. It will be the very few if not actually the only consecrated Cathedral in China.

The ceremonies used in the Consecration date from the very earliest years of the Church and, preserved with loving care, have been handed down practically unchanged. On the eve of the Consecration the Relics of the Martyrs—those who have given their lives for God—will be solemnly exposed in a private chapel, where the Bishop and his Priests will in turn maintain a night watch of prayer.

On the day itself the ceremonies will begin at 6.15 a.m. and will be conducted by H.E. Mgr. Valtorta, Vicar Apostolic of Hongkong, assisted by H.E. Mgr. Da Costa Nunes, Bishop of Macao, and H.E. Mgr. T. Wazler, Titular Bishop of Maximiana. The order of the ceremonies is as follows:

1.—The Triple Blessing of the outside walls of the Cathedral.

2.—The solemn opening of the door.

3.—The entrance of the Bishop and officiating clergy into the Cathedral. (They enter alone and the door is shut again behind them.)

4.—The Approach to the Altar and the Prostration during the chanting of the Litanies of the Saints.

5.—The formal taking possession by tracing the Latin and Greek Alphabets (symbolical of the Universality of the Church) in the ash strewn in the form of a Cross on the floor.

6.—The solemn Blessing of the Altar and the Church—the interior walls are blessed in the same way as the exterior. With this the first part of the Liturgical Rite ends. Then comes:

7.—The Procession of the Relics from their resting place to the Cathedral. The Faithful, who may now enter the Church, take part in this Procession. When the Relics have been placed temporarily in a place prepared for them, the Rite continues with:

8.—The anointing and blessing of the Sepulchre in the Altar where the Relics will rest.

9.—The Deposition and sealing in of the Relics.

10.—The Solemn Anointing and Blessing of the Altar itself.

11.—The Anointing and Blessing of Twelve Crosses on the walls of the Cathedral—symbolical of the Twelve Apostles upon whom as a foundation the Apostolic Church is built.

12.—The burning of incense and wax on the Altar until all is consumed—symbolical of prayer and of Christ the Light and Life of the World.

13.—Pontifical High Mass—the First Great Sacrifice in the newly consecrated Church.

Throughout the ceremony choral music consisting of the great antiphons of the Church and selections from the Pauline epistles to the occasion will be sung.

In the evening, beginning at 9 p.m., the Schola Cantorum Immaculate Conception will give an entertainment at St. Patrick's Hall, Garden Road.

From Thursday to Sunday there will be Solemn Triduum with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, beginning each evening at 5.30 p.m. The preachers for the occasion will be (Thursday) Fr. Gallagher, S.J., (Friday) Fr. Bourke, S.J., (Saturday) Fr. Green, S.J., (Sunday) Fr. G. Byrne, S.J.—Contributed.

SERIES OF FRAUDS

Youth Obtains Goods With Forged Chop

Sentences totalling one month and twelve weeks were imposed on a Chinese youth, Chan Ngan, 18, when he appeared before Mr. H. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday and pleaded guilty to four counts, of obtaining 60 packets of elastic and 60 packets of tape by means of false pretences from the Nagano Firm on December 1, obtaining goods by means of a forged document from the Chan Yin Haberdashery on December 4, obtaining goods by means of a forged document from the Yan Cheong Firm on December 4, and possession of a forged die on December 4, at 148, Queen's Road Central.

Detective-Sergeant D. Davies told the Court that on December 1, defendant, who was previously a fof of the Butterfly Piece Goods Firm, telephoned to the Nagano Firm and said that he was speaking on behalf of the Butterfly Piece Goods Firm. He asked for 60 packets of tape and 60 packets of elastic, saying that someone would call for the goods. Ten minutes later defendant called at the Nagano establishment and was recognised as a fof of the Butterfly Piece Goods Firm. The goods were handed over to him.

Complainant later took the bill to the Butterfly Firm, but was told that defendant had not been authorised to act on behalf of them. The goods, which were valued at \$50, were discovered to have been sold for \$39.60.

On December 4, defendant, following the same procedure, went to the Chan Yin Haberdashery and on this occasion produced an order book bearing the chop of the Butterfly Firm. This chop was a forgery. Defendant obtained 7 lbs. of knitting wool valued at \$26.60. Five pounds of the wool were recovered but the remaining two pounds were discovered to have been pawned in different pawnshops.

Later the same day, continued Sergeant Davies, the defendant went to the Cheong Shing shop where he obtained 10,000 needles valued at \$17.50. He still represented himself as acting on behalf of the Butterfly Firm. On this occasion he again obtained the goods by means of an order book. The needles were later recovered.

On the same evening one of the fofs of the Butterfly Piece Goods Firm, who had been seen by the police, was arrested. When he was searched the forged chop and the order book were found on him.

FALSE CHEQUES

Former Advertising Man Admits Charges

Admitting six counts of obtaining goods and cash by means of false pretences, namely by issuing false cheques, Yap Sin-fat, former manager of the Oriental Advertising and Publishing Company and publisher of a weekly sports magazine *The Referee* which made only one appearance recently, appeared before Mr. H. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Four other charges of fraudulent conversion were withdrawn by Detective-Inspector Hopkins, who prosecuted.

Yap was charged with uttering a cheque for \$10 and tendering it in exchange for the same sum in cash from Mr. Aaron Landau, proprietor of Jimmy's Kitchen. The other charges were—Obtaining goods to the value of \$5.50 and \$24.60 cash from La Perla Del Oriente Cigar Store; obtaining two leather suit-cases valued at \$44 and tendering in payment a cheque for the same sum.

A salesgirl employed by Messrs. Tsang Fook and Company was the complainant in another case when it was said that Yap obtained goods to the extent of \$10, and \$15 in cash, and drew a cheque on the Mercantile Bank of India in payment.

On November 18, Yap went to the Queen's Dispensary and obtained cash and goods to the extent of \$8 and gave in exchange a cheque for the sum.

Yap was further charged with having attempted to obtain goods by false pretences to the value of \$210 from Messrs. Lane Crawford, Ltd.

Sergeant Hopkins informed the Magistrate that defendant had admitted having tendered cheques to Messrs. Brook's Bookshop for \$10, the Gloucester Hotel for \$20, and the Britannia Silk Store for \$15, and wished the cases to be dealt with at the same time, but added that those concerned did not wish to take out charges against defendant.

Defendant was remanded in police custody for 24 hours, for sentence to be considered.

★—RADIO—★

Edouard Lalo Trio From The Studio

"IN TOWN TO-NIGHT"

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z. B. W. on a Frequency of 845 k.c.s. and on Short Wave from 6-11 p.m. on 9.52 m.c.s. per second.

H. K. T.

6.00 Beethoven—Quartet In C Sharp Minor, Op. 131.

Played by the Busch Quartet.

6.43 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.45 London Relay—The God-send.

by Earle Grey

Characters: Martha Skinner; Clara King; Ted Seaton; A Man; Sergeant Gillespie. Scene: A lonely cottage in the country. Production by Howard Rose.

7.10 A French Programme with Lys Gauty, Damia, Albert Frejean and Orchestras.

C'est La Guinguette (Francis)... Mme. Damia (Vocal) accom. by the Afonsky Choir; Joli-Tambour (Old French Song); Les Filles De Genevilliers (Old French Song); Surahel with Choir and Orchestra; Bolero (Ravel); Speakeasy—Cuban Dance... Odette Theatre Orchestra cond. by G. Walter; J'Attends Un Navire (Deval)... Lys Gauty with Wal Berg and His Orchestra; A Song Selection... Lys Gauty with Orchestra accom. by De Picpus Au Palais D'Angkor—Fox-Trot Intermezzo; Serenade—Valse Espagnole (Metra)...

Orchestre Ruby Goldstein; Pour Qui Tant De Folles (Kaper); Signorina (Kaper)... Albert Frejean with Orchestra cond. by Pierre Chagnon; La Fille Aux Mamelots (Reale); Tu Ne Sais Pas Almer, Waltz (Zoka)...

Damia with Orchestra cond. by Pierre Chagnon; The Grand Duchesse—Galop (Offenbach)... Orchestre Raymond cond. by G. Walter.

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Trio (Edouard Lalo) played by Prue Lewis (Violin) Ettore

8.05 London Relay—In Town To-night.

Introducing unusual stories from every walk of life, flashes from the news of the week, and "Standing on the Corner" (Interviews with the man in the street); Production by C. F. Meehan.

11.00 Close Down.

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DEANNA DURBIN FANS!

Here's an opportunity to win a beautiful miniature Charlie McCarthy (Majestic) Radio. The rules are quite simple and the competition is open to everyone. The idea is, to send in your definition of "That Certain Age" with a limit of twenty words including the title. Each entry must be accompanied by the stub of an admission ticket purchased at either the Queen's or Alhambra during the engagement of THAT CERTAIN AGE. Each ticket stub entitles you to one entry in the competition. The smartest and snappiest definition wins the radio. Send your entries to General Amusements Ltd., Marina House, and their judgement is final. Entries close Dec. 14, 1938.

Here are a few examples to give you the style:—

"That Certain Age" is when a girl starts letting down her dresses and picking up now ideas.

"That Certain Age" is when we start thinking "Mom" and "Pop" are old fashioned.

"That Certain Age" is when a girl starts thinking of a certain boy as "that certain boy."

DON'T MISS DEANNA DURBIN IN "THAT CERTAIN AGE"!

1ST PRIZE: A Beautiful Miniature Charlie McCarthy (Majestic) Radio.

2ND PRIZE: A Beautiful Hand-coloured 18" x 22" Photograph of Deanna Durbin Autographed and Suitably Framed.

PASSING MOMENTS



What a waste of a pass
For the man on the grass
When to take it he isn't quite able!

But at ease take YOUR pass
When your pass is a glass
That is brimful of —

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- C-2650 Drury Lane Memories . . . Sydney Gustard (Organ)
- C-2716 Ballade Memories . . . New Mayfair Orchestra
- C-2868 Our Greatest Successes
Cicely Courtneidge & Jack Hulbert
- C-2882 Immortal Strauss—Medley Of Waltzes . . . Viennese Orch.
- C-2682 Selection of Wild Sanderson's Songs
Terence Casey (Organ)
- C-1783 More Old Songs . . . Jack Hylton's Orchestra
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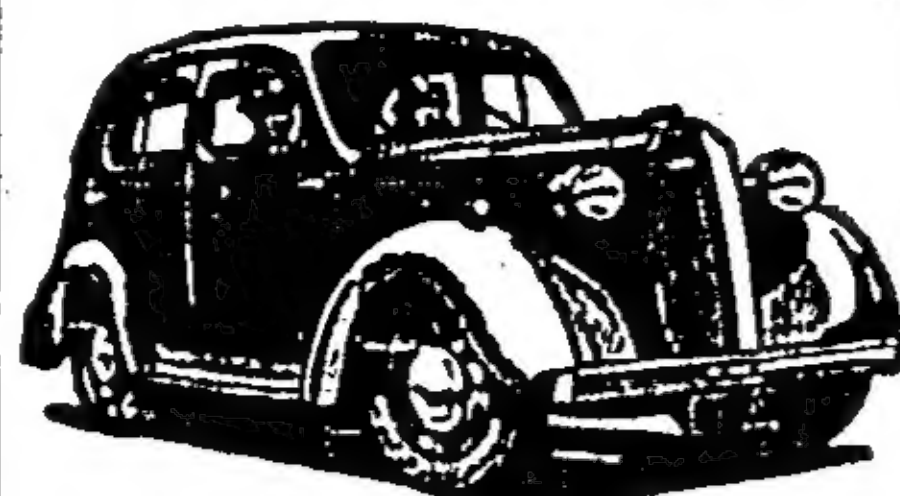
CHRISTMAS
ADVERTISING.

The early co-operation of advertisers is requested in the matter of submitting copy and lay-outs for special advertising during December.

Illustrative "mats" should be selected immediately, and copy sent in not less than forty-eight hours before the dates of publication.

"SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST"
and
"THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"

FACTS
for the 10h.p.
motorist



The Vauxhall Ten is the most economical "Ten" in the world. On a recent R.A.C. official trial, over 1,000 miles of public roads, the "Ten" saloon did 43.4 m.p.g. Reliability is unquestioned . . . a Vauxhall 10, standard in every way, covered 2,210 miles across Europe in the Monte Carlo Rally. Through snow, floods, ice-bound roads and over Alpine passes it did not lose a mark. Every part of the Vauxhall Ten is modern but proved. It has independent springing, hydraulic brakes, no-braught ventilation and all-steel integral body and chassis.

VAUXHALL

LET US DEMONSTRATE
THE 10 AND 12 H.P.

HONGKONG HOTEL GARAGE

Stubbs Rd. Tel. 27778-9.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1938.

The New Agitator

THE B.B.C. we are told in a news despatch yesterday, will continue news broadcasts in foreign languages. Why? Because all over the world now the radio stations are giving out propaganda.

If you listen-in on the short-waves you'll hear a German or an Italian, though speaking in English. This Voice declares that the broadcast is directed to South and Eastern Asia. But the message is directed, of course, to the place where most English is spoken—India.

What can you do about it? Radio penetrates the defences of the old-fashioned Press censorship like a boxer with a new punch slips through the guard of the orthodox stylist.

There are two ways to stop it, and the B.B.C. knows it. Jam the offending station. Or give him some of his own medicine.

Santa's Beard

AFTER the hind legs of the donkey, no man deserves our sympathy at this time of the year more than the professional Santa Claus. Among the perils of his occupation, it appears, is the catching of his beard in electrical toys. Not only is this fate painful in itself, but it is calculated to destroy every morsel of that prestige among the young so essential to his task.

Nevertheless, Santa Claus (as Santas Claus) have approached their task with a high sense of professional conduct. At a New York conference they have shown a firm grasp of this beard question. Santa's beard, it is laid down, is to be long enough to add a touch of verisimilitude to an otherwise bald and unconvincing person. But it is not to be like Aaron's, that went down to the skirts of his clothing. There should be moderation in all things, even in beards.

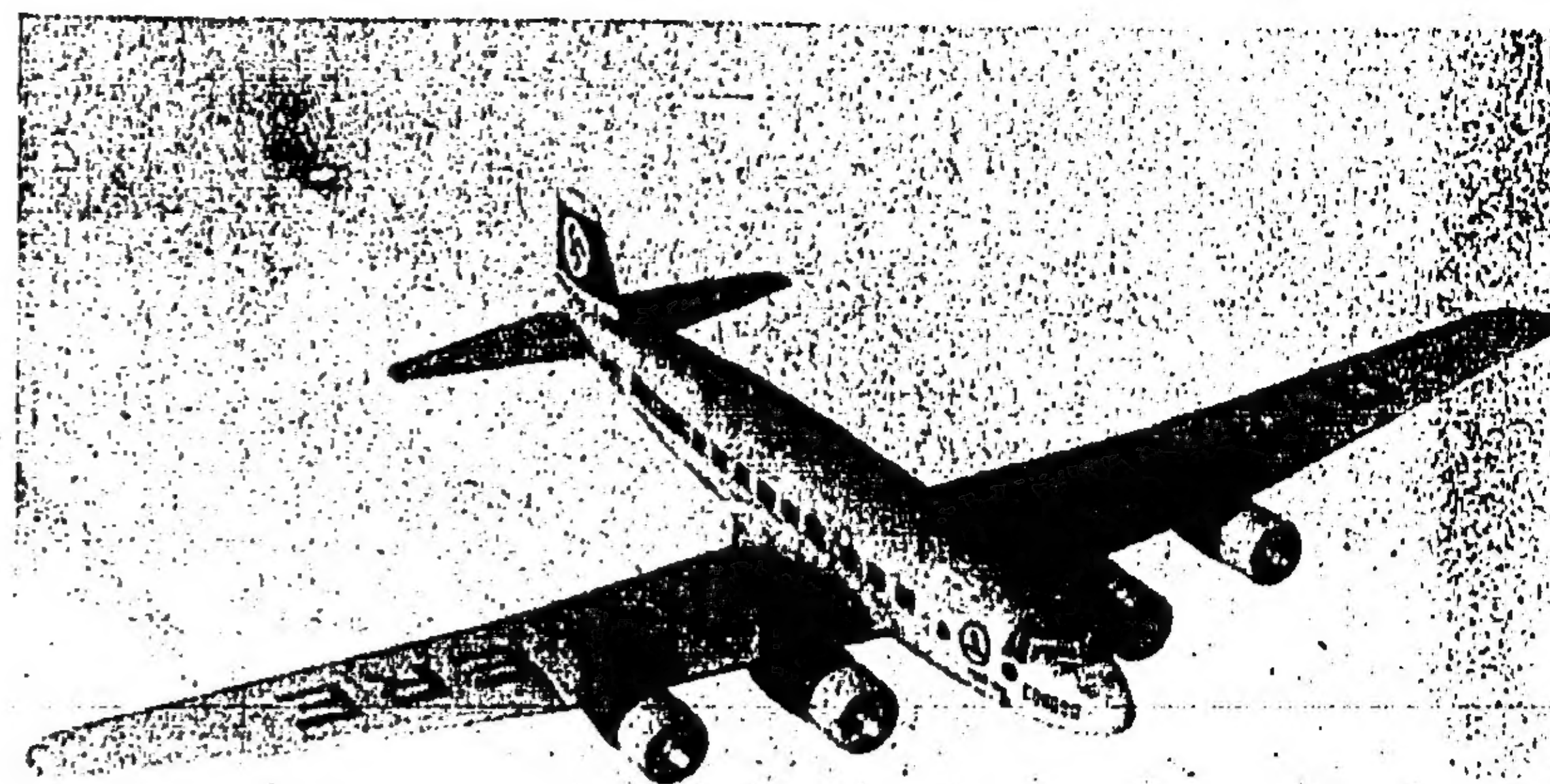
Smiling Through

What is your favourite film? The British Film Institute sug-

I WAS FORCED DOWN
AT
SEA

I KNOW just what the four German fliers in the Condor plane went through before they were picked up by fishermen yesterday.

I know because—for 20 hours—I, too, had been in the same position. Four of us, a Canadian named Hoamer, Mechanic Pierce, Radio-operator Gilmour and I, determined to fly from the Azores to Newfoundland on our way from Pisa to New York. It was August, 1928.



The German Condor plane, which was forced down near Manila yesterday.

By Captain
Frank Courtney

who, in 1928 attempted one of the pioneer Transatlantic flights in a Dornier-Wal flying-boat, which caught fire in the air half-way between the Azores and Newfoundland.

Our first signal in the morning was picked up and answered by the Celtic.

We used the direction finder to get our position and gave it out to the liner, which relayed it to other boats. We heard them "speaking." We felt grand. We thought it was just a matter of waiting to be picked up.

But we were so low in the water, it was almost impossible to see us. Waves seemed to be breaking at us from all heights and all directions.

Gradually the difficulties of the rescuers began to dawn on us. We were a tiny speck, set almost on the water-line. A shower of rain would obscure us at a mile. Even if it stayed clear a ship would have to come within five or six miles to sight us. And the great expanse of the sea, stretching desolate and empty before us, brought home to us the grim realization of the immensity of the task. We heard the ships exchange messages. We even heard Lisbon giving out messages to the Press. Ships' calls came to us: "We are on our way." Someone asked for a report of the accident. But we could not reply: our batteries were too low.

We had not thought of packing more juice. We were thinking of lightening the plane as much as we could before we started, not loading ourselves

with safety appliances. We took the minimum: batteries, fire-extinguishers, everything.

To add to our gaities, we were sea-sick. I was sea-sick for the first time in my life: the smell of burning aluminium was too much. I was so sick I didn't care if we were picked up or not.

The wireless man called out he could see smoke on the horizon. I got to my feet, saw he had been deceived. It was just a sun-ray through a distant cloud. I cursed him. Later I raised the cry of "Smoke." Gilmour saw I had made the same mistake, and cursed me back.

Tempers were fraying. I gave orders that no-one should announce he could see smoke: only ships should be taken as evidence of salvation.

At one in the afternoon, a message from the President Hayes, en route to the United States on a round-the-world Dollar Line Cruise that had taken in Hongkong, told us they had arrived at our position, and we were not there. Of course not. The drift of sea-weed told us we were moving at about 3 m.p.h.; my chart told us we were also being carried by the Gulf Stream at about 2½ m.p.h. Our drift to the westward was at the rate of 5 m.p.h., and we had covered 50 miles from the time we had given our position. I wondered if the liner would figure that out too.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You're such a brute, Cadwell! You still haven't noticed my new hat!"

The tanker Achatina sent a message: "We are near you. Can you put up a smoke screen?"

Petrol sends up good black smoke—but how to fire it? We got the top off a 5-gallon can. We filled it three-quarters full from the tanks. We tried to kick it overboard at the exact moment we fired it. But as I flung the match in, a wave hit us and upset the whole thing.

For a few seconds we floated in a blazing pool of petrol. Then another wave took us out of range. The smoke-cloud was fine—but the Achatina did not see it—and we decided there would be no more petrol flares.

We had food aboard, but no-one thought of eating. Seasickness and anxiety together murder one's appetite. We had nothing to smoke. To drink we had two gallons of fresh water. When that was gone we should have been reduced to the water in the radiators—chuck-full of iron filings.

Although we had not enough juice to send messages, we had enough to hear. We intercepted a conversation about us between the Columbus and the Minnewaska.

They were 50 miles away. The Columbus was going south. The Minnewaska was heading straight for us. We hoped, how we hoped to God, he would continue. How we dreaded he might change his course.

The sun began to sink lower and lower over the horizon. We heard the Minnewaska's signals getting nearer. Suddenly the Achatina cut in: "We'll reach you somehow." It seemed a race between the rescue ships and the sinking sun. And the sun seemed to be winning.

Gilmour really saw smoke on the horizon—but he didn't dare to say so. Then, over the skyline we saw the line of a mast, of a funnel, of a bow, heading straight towards us. We knew he could not see us. Would he, would he turn off?

Nearer and nearer. And the sun sinking lower and lower. Nearer and nearer, lower and lower. We sent out our last message, leaving our batteries empty.

It was the setting sun that we had looked on as our enemy that proved our salvation. A sailor at the mast-head saw a flash—the level rays striking our wings. If the sun had been higher in the sky, he would never have seen us. And the Minnewaska was about to change course just when he sighted the flash.

The liner hove to, lowered a boat, sent out, took us off. Once we reached the ship, all our sensations—disappointment at our failure, heart-sickening anxiety, resignation, complete apathy when we were ill—faded into one not of relief but of gigantic anti-climax.

That was my adventure. That is what the four Germans faced before they were picked up.

"Oh! We SHALL Miss The Duchess" Say The Fashion Experts She Is Britain's Dress-Chooser-In-Chief All Women Wait For Her Lead

There is dismay in the fashion world over the announcement that the Duke of Kent is becoming Governor-General of Australia.

LOVE'S LUCK

"I appear for this woman," said a solicitor defending a pretty young woman accused of speeding at Croydon recently.

"She has since become my wife. She was very pre-occupied with wedding arrangements."

But, alas! the court was unromantic. Fine £3; licence suspended six months.

DUKE TELLS OF "MY LAST 3d"

IS IT SWEETS OR CHOCOLATE?

MEMORIES OF HIS BOYHOOD

The Duke of Kent, speaking recently at the dinner of the Advertising Association at the Dorchester Hotel, congratulated those responsible for advertising matter in this country for not abusing the use of the superlative. Our comfort and enjoyment were, he said, based largely upon the honesty of the advertisement trade as anything else.

"It is obvious," he went on, "that an article widely advertised must be of the quality which the advertiser claims if it is to hold its own in a free market. This has led to the public trusting advertisements which they read, and to their being seldom let down. I think this state of affairs is due very largely to the principle that underlies all British business—and I include advertising—it is 'Quality counts'."

"I CAN REMEMBER"
"As a small boy I can remember the conflicts in my own mind when I had to decide between spending my last 3d of pocket money on sweets or chocolate. If I decided on chocolate I was faced with the claims of a dozen manufacturers. I was not conscious of trying to extract the greatest value out of my 3d, but I wanted the greatest enjoyment. My problems were, of course, immaterial, because the sweets or the chocolate were only luxuries, but how much more serious is it to the housewife trying to make a home happy and comfortable."

"We all want this country to enjoy peace and prosperity. We want English men and women to feel not only proud, but happy. To achieve this we must all play our part. Your part is a large one, but I feel sure that in able hands like yours it will be successful."

Advertising had become a business undreamed of a few years ago. "It is a mixture of fact, fiction, science, psychology and art. But, above all, it is human. I doubt if there is any business that is so essentially human, for the whole merit of a good and successful advertisement is, surely, its public appeal."

"REAL DEMOCRACY"
Lord Southwood, president of the Association, who presided, said the Duke's speech would give advertisers a new realisation of the part that they played in the welfare of the country.

"How happy and how fortunate are we in having a Royal family possessing so clear an understanding of affairs affecting the everyday lives of our people! There is hardly an aspect of our national life that does not receive the inspiration and support of our Royal family. What a lesson have we here in real democracy—a lesson of entire devotion to the country's good."

Women are goddesses on whom our very existence depends. Why, 80 per cent of the goods purchased in this country are purchased by women, and, in fact, they hold our existence in their hands."

No less than £130,000,000 was spent every year in advertising, a fact that spoke eloquently of the position to which the profession had attained.

Twins Confuse Campus

San Jose, Cal.
Confusion reigned on the campus and in the classrooms of San Jose State College this year. Included in the student body are seven sets of twins, all but two of which are classified as "identical twins." Each pair dresses alike.

It is feared—and openly said—that the absence of the Duchess from Britain will have an adverse effect on the whole fashion industry.

The Duchess has made fashion history. She has given London the leadership that belonged to Paris, and fashion houses fear that in her absence London will lose that lead again.

One famous designer said: "It really is a tragedy. It is difficult to express in words the impetus she gave to dress designing."

MAY DRIFT BACK
"Fashion memories are short, and I'm afraid we may drift back to what we were—dull and uninspired."

One leading man in cotton designing confirmed this. He said: "As a result of the interest of the Duchess in various printed cottons, our orders were much larger than ever before. Also the general taste in design and colour has improved very much through the fashion she set."

The head of a house famous for Court and ball gowns said:—
"The influence of the Duchess on fashion has been one of the most remarkable features of contemporary life. I fear her departure will lessen that influence."

A buyer at one of the West End stores said: "She influenced the whole trend of women's clothes and hats." A saleswoman at the same store said: "We are always being asked for something such as the Duchess wears."

"In the necessary department, the bags, gloves and coloured-edged handkerchiefs of the kind carried by the Duchess are a substantial part of our trade."

SHE IS UNIQUE
The manager of a hat firm said: "Our sales went up in a fantastic way."

RECTOR SAYS 'TEAS WASTE MY TIME'

Market Harborough.

The Rev. Algernon S. Mills, forty-eight-year-old rector of Oxendon, near Market Harborough, ninety of whose parishioners have petitioned the Bishop of Peterborough for an inquiry into parish affairs, said: "I could do better work in a slum than in this village of elderly people."

"They expect me to waste time having cups of tea with them."

The people who have signed the petition complain that Mr. Mills—who married a twenty-eight-year-old ex-factory worker secretly—two months ago—gives all his time to the young people.

WERE THERE
Twenty-one villagers went to morning service in the fifteenth century church recently.

Mrs. Mills sat in the front pew in a macintosh and beret. Raymond Moore, eleven-year-old son of the village milkman, played the organ.

In his sermon Mr. Mills said that the true Christian is "self-disciplined but savours all the pleasures of life"—that he does not go through life "using his eyes and ears for abuse of his fellowmen."

After the service girls and boys of the village went with Mr. Mills back to the rectory, made themselves at home there.

While Mrs. Mills prepared the Sunday dinner the rector talked of his flair for youth and preoccupation with the souls of the young.

I'LL MEET THEM
He said: "It is true I have a club here for the young people. I've taught them all to dance, and I have been able to do a little good for some of them. I like tackling the young people from poorer homes."

"If the villagers have reasonable complaint I'll meet them and answer them."

Ruby Mason, seventeen-year-old factory worker in Market Harborough, has been for three years to the evening parties at the rectory. "There might be ten or twelve of us at a time," she said. "We sit around and talk and dance—just ordinary. The rector made us come to church every Sunday. He has been very good to all of us."

Jim Waller, head gardener at Oxendon Hall, said of the petitioners' attitude.

"The villagers don't like the parties up at the rectory," he said. "Radio, darts, billiards and table tennis to all hours on a Sunday night. And dancing with all the boys and girls of Market Harborough going along. It's a bit better now."

AUSTRALIA'S NEXT "VICEREINE"



The Duchess of Kent, walking to her seat in the Granada Cinema, Clapham Junction, on arriving to attend a presentation of the film *Letter of Introduction* which was given in aid of charity. Needless to say, the nine-pennies and one-and-sixpennies were packed, but not at the usual prices.

THE OLDEST WOMAN HAS LEFT HOLLOWAY

Holloway Jail's oldest prisoner, sixty-eight-year-old Mrs. Mary Millicent Dixon, was recently released after serving nearly six years of an eight year sentence. Little Mrs. Dixon, a dignified, motherly figure, came out to start life again faultlessly dressed and with her head high.

Princesses Get First Xmas Gift

Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret have had their first Christmas present.

The Queen recently accepted a Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs set, made from the wishbones of chickens and modelling paste by an Ealing ex-Service man, Mr. A. G. Marshall, of Station-parade, Ealing Common.

Meanwhile the toy "flower shop" presented to Princess Margaret by the City of Paris is proving one of the favourite playthings of the two Princesses.

Princess Margaret sent a message thanking the Mayor of Paris for the gift, and the Queen added: "This charming present was shown to the Princess on her return from Scotland, and every afternoon since the toy shop has been for both her and Princess Elizabeth a constant source of pleasure and amusement."

Chinchilla Farm Expands

Inglewood, Cal.
The Chinchilla Sales Corporation at its South American Chinchilla Farm here now has 1,500 chinchillas out of the total of only 2,000 that are believed to exist in the entire world. The farm started with 11 of the little animals, but it will be from 8 to 20 years before the company figures it can begin selling furs.

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Man Feared To Tell Wife No. 2 Of Children

Birmingham.

Because he was afraid to tell his second wife that he had two children by a previous marriage—it would have "meant the end," he said—Thomas Joseph Hayden, thirty-eight, of Sparkhill, Birmingham, allowed the children to live alone.

An anonymous caller rang up the N.S.P.C.C. and at Birmingham Police Court recently Hayden was sentenced to three months' imprisonment for neglecting the younger child, a boy aged thirteen.

The boy and his sister, who is fifteen, were found under-nourished and neglected.

Hayden said, when he was traced, that he had given the girl £1 for rent and food. The rent was 14s. 5d. Wife No. 2, Mrs. Jean Hayden, was married three weeks before. "It was a great shock to me when a policeman knocked at my door and told me my husband had been sent to prison," she told me with tears. "I had no knowledge that he had children."

"I saw him before he was taken to prison. He bowed his head and said 'Please forgive me, Jenn. I was afraid of losing your love.'"

The irony of it all is that Jenn "dates on children." "I would have been pleased to look after Tom's motherless babies," she said.

PAY FOR WORK
Her tapestries, fire screens and lampshades have been sold by West End shops.

Last March the system of paying prisoners for their work was introduced for the first time, and a few months back a shopping centre was started in Holloway Prison, so that the prisoners could spend their money.



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MANY LOCAL TENNIS PLAYERS INVITED TO SAIGON

SEVERAL HAVE DECLINED DUE TO INABILITY TO GET LEAVE

Tsui Wai-Pui Uncertain At The Present Moment

(By "Abe")

That officials of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association are making a determined effort to send a team of local players to Saigon to take part in the Far Eastern Tennis Champions in response to the invitation of the Saigon authorities is demonstrated by the fact that letters have been written to all the leading players in the Colony asking them whether they can make the trip.

As announced yesterday, the tournament has been postponed until next month and will be held from January 7 to January 15. Yvon Petra, the French Davis Cup player, is already in Saigon for the championships, and Kho Sin-kie, the Chinese star, is due there at the end of the month.

The Saigon authorities have offered to pay hotel expenses of Hongkong players during their stay in that city and they also propose to pay the return fare from Saigon to Hongkong.

And now, it is understood, the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association has come forward with an offer to pay the passage of local players to Saigon, if required.

FREE HOLIDAY
Which, of course, means that those who answer "Yes" to the Association's letters will have a holiday of nearly three weeks with everything found except pocket expenses. In addition, they will have an opportunity of meeting some of the world's leading players. Besides Petra and Kho, there will be many others well-known in the Far Eastern tennis circles, including the leading players of the Philippines and Japan.

Mr. C. J. Tachell, Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association, informed me yesterday that letters had been written to the following players:

Tsui Wai-pui, S. A. Rumjahn, H. D. Rumjahn, Ho Ka-lou, Lai Kwong-tsun, E. C. Fischer, M. W. Lo, L. Goldman, W. C. Hung, J. W. Leonard, Tsui Yuen-pui, A. E. P. Guest, W. A. H. Duff, Tennis Kwok, Paul Kong and Lee Wai-tong.

PLAYERS' REPLIES
Of these 10, many have already decided not to go. I got in touch with the following players yesterday afternoon and these were the replies they gave me:

Paul Kong—I don't think I can get away.
E. C. Fischer—I'm afraid I can't go.

W. C. Hung—I had my leave last month, and I can't get away again so soon.

M. W. Lo—I can't go. I have already replied to that effect.
Lee Wai-tong—I don't think I can manage it.

L. Goldman—I have only just received the letter. I haven't had time to reply to the matter much thought.

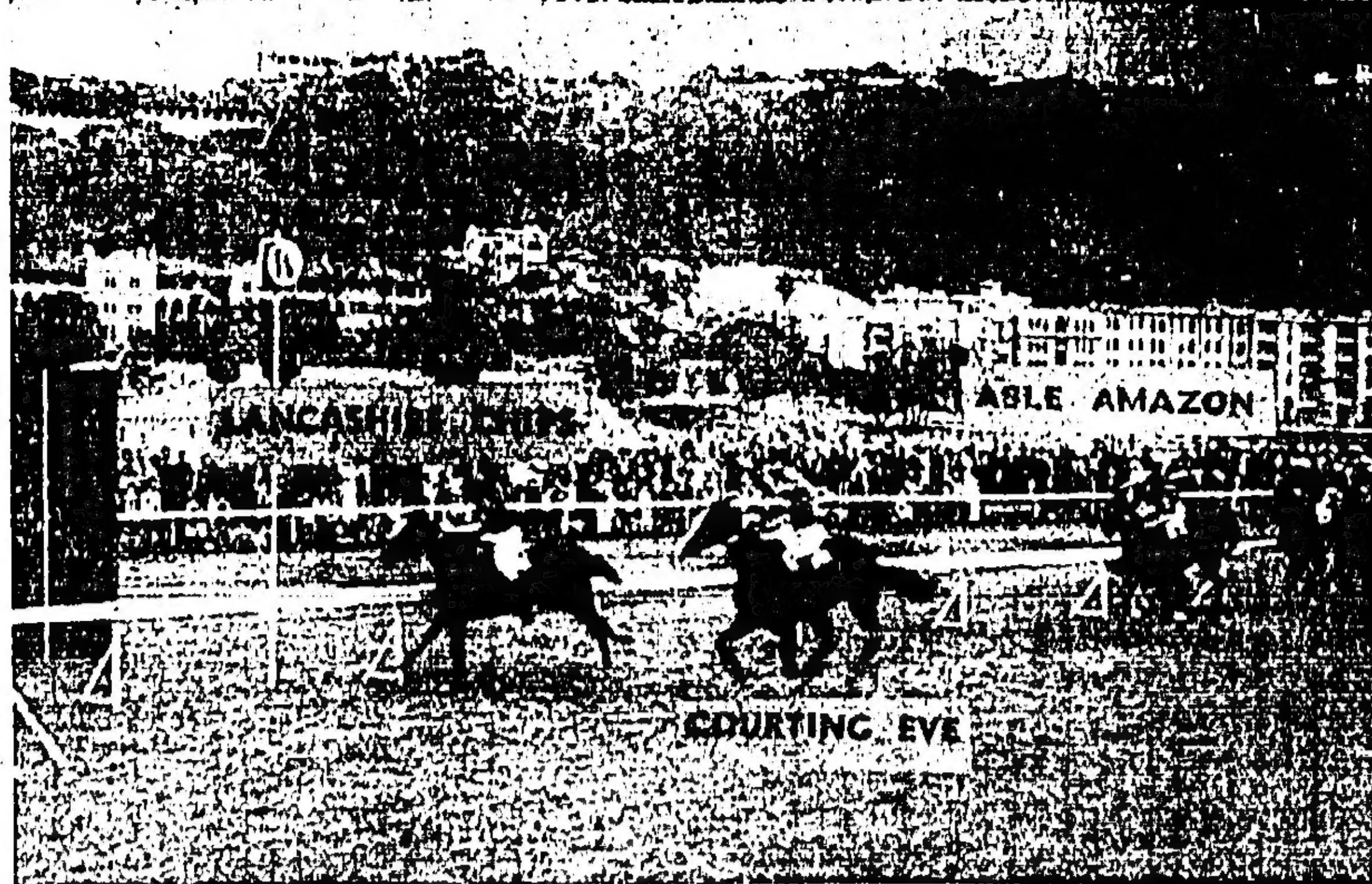
Tsui Yuen-pui—I am going.
Tsui Wai-pui—I'm not sure yet. I won't know until the end of this week.

A. E. P. Guest—I will go if I can obtain leave.
Of the others, S. A. Rumjahn is still on leave, and it would be unlikely that he will be able to take another three weeks off for the trip. His cousin "H.D." I am told, is almost certain of turning down the invitation owing to the difficulty of getting away.

The views of Lai Kwong-tsun, J. W. Leonard, W. A. H. Duff, Ho Ka-lou and Tennis Kwok have not yet been obtained.
Hongkong's representation would be strengthened if Duff's reply to the H.K.L.T.A. was in the affirmative; but I am told there is little chance of it being so.

TSUI WAI-PU UNCERTAIN
Hongkong could send a fairly strong team if Tsui Wai-pui can be persuaded to go. At the moment he is uncertain; but there is a distinct possibility of his answer being "Yes" because he would like to have another chance of playing Yvon Petra, who defeated him in the first round of the French Championships in Paris in 1937. On that occasion, the Frenchman won in straight sets, but Tsui thinks that he should now do better against the tanky French ace. He and his brother would also make a formidable pair, with every prospect of going far; and in this connection, it is to be regretted that the Rumjahn cousins cannot take part as they are almost certain of proving popular in Saigon. Their reputation is known there.

Anyhow, although so many of those asked are not in a position to accept the offer, there is enough material left for Hongkong to send a fairly strong contingent, and those who go cannot help but benefit from their experience, thereby aiding to lift the standard of tennis in the Colony.



Lancashire Chips, with Mr. B. A. Proulx up, knocked four-fifths of a second off the record time for the distance in the Cramond Brig Handicap at the Twelfth Extra Race Meeting held at Happy Valley on Saturday. She started a sizzling-hot favourite and did not disappoint her supporters. Here's the finish, with Courting Eve second and Able Amazon third.—Photo by A. V. Wong.

Hopman Thinks Next Davis Cup Team Should Go To Wimbledon

"We have returned to Australia with perhaps more confidence in the future than any Australian Davis Cup team since 1920," so said Harry Hopman, manager of the 1938 team, at the official welcome home to the side in Sydney last month.
"I believe that in Bromwich, Australia will have the best amateur tennis player in the world next year. It is certain that Budge will turn professional. I think that Australia will win the 1939 Davis Cup.
"The team feels that our two best players, Bromwich and Quist, should not be overplayed this season in Australia. They should be given a reasonable rest to build them up for the hard times ahead.
"Personally I think that Australia's team should go via Europe next time, playing at Wimbledon, to give the players very necessary match practice to get them to their highest standard. We were handicapped by lack of such practice this year, and might easily have suffered defeat against the Japanese through it. However, the luck broke our way."

Kid (20 Fights, 20 Wins) Tanner May Be Next Champion

By Geoffrey Simpson

London, Nov. 2.

A Woolly-Haired coloured boxer—unheard of when he landed from British Guiana a year ago, and now the talk of the North—may shortly reign as bantam-weight champion of the Empire. His name, or ring title, is Kid Tanner, and never was a fighter more aptly named. He has been "tanning" our bantams and feather-weights ever since he arrived. 20 of them, to be exact, and every one stopped inside the distance.

Now the British Board of Control have paired him with our bantam champion, Johnny King, for the Empire title, and are calling for purse offers. Two, for certain, will be made. Johnny Best, of Liverpool, will bid, and so will Belle Vue, Manchester—and there may be others.

Tanner's entry into English boxing might have been taken from an adventure book. He left British Guiana on a cargo boat, flat broke, and with nothing more to recommend him than his own statement that he could fight. Some say it was a banana steamer that he came on, but it is a fact that he worked his passage, and walked on to the docks at Liverpool wondering what his next move would be, and where next week's meals might come from.

His first thought was to locate a boxing hall in the city. That led him to the Liverpool Stadium and Johnny Best. The promoter agreed to give Tanner a six-rounds bout, more or less against his own judgment. Tanner knocked his man out with a few powerful punches.

JUST A START

That started Tanner, whose skin is almost coal-black, on his way, and so far no one can stop him. Mr. Best quickly decided that fly-weights were no match for this terrific coloured puncher. He gave him bantams, and "the Kid" knocked them over, too. Now Tanner is handing out the same scant treatment to feather-weights, though his own weight is a trifle over 125 lb. The list of victims having reached 20—and one of them is Len Hampston—the Board feel that it is time something was done, so they have selected King.

King should feel flattered, but probably thinks that this is a match in which he has everything to lose. It would be different if Tanner had an overseas record, but all he can claim is the championship of British Guiana, which has small significance here.

Tanner is the mystery man of British boxing. We know he is good—but how good? On Monday he stopped Harry Edwards (Birmingham) in Manchester. In the same ring King lost on points to

Johnny Casick, the Northern Area champion, so that the comparison of form is hardly favourable to him.

SIMILAR CONCLUSION

A similar conclusion was reached by most people at the National Sporting Club in favour of Arthur Danahar as against Eric Boon. These talented young light-weights were both in action, but whereas Danahar won in a round Boon took a long time to dispose of Mac Perez, a French Arab, and then only did so on a disqualification.

Perez was about the most awkward type of opponent who could have been picked for Boon. He was a clever defensive spoiler, and a strong one, and he shut the door on

Cambridge Surprise Dark Blues Annual University Rugger Match

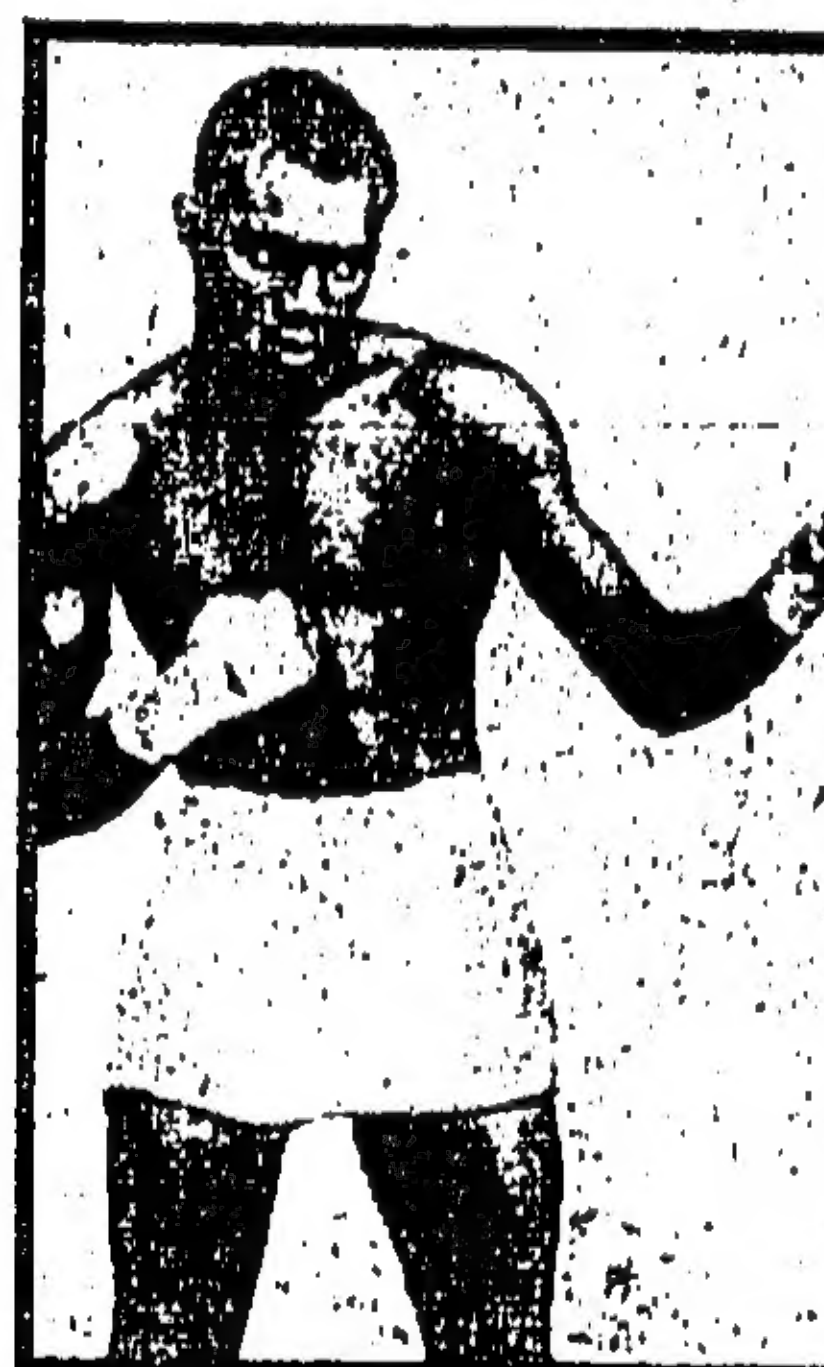
London, Dec. 6.

At Twickenham to-day, the inter-Varsity rugby match between Cambridge and Oxford was won by the Light Blues by eight points (a penalty goal and a placed goal) to six (two penalty goals).

Cambridge owed their victory to strong defence, especially in the first half when Oxford had so much of the game.

Oxford's forwards were expected to crush Cambridge, but the Light Blues were just as lively in the loose, and in the last quarter of an hour heeded the ball from almost every scrum.

Both sides tackled and marked well.—Reuter.



Kid Tanner

Boon's attempts to make it a free-hitting battle. Still, men of championship calibre should have the ability to solve awkward problems. (Continued on Page 9)

Plans For Golf's Biggest Money Tournament

"Daily Mail" £2,000 Final To Be Held At Bournemouth

By F. J. C. Pignon

London, Oct. 28.

The Daily Mail will again sponsor the biggest prize money tournament in professional golf in 1939. Arrangements have been completed to hold the first big competition of the year in March, when every recognised professional golfer in Great Britain will be eligible to compete for prizes amounting to £2,000 presented by The Daily Mail.

In co-operation with the Professional Golfers' Association, the governing body in professional golf, eight qualifying competitions will be held in different parts of the country, North, South, East, West and Midlands of England, Scotland, Ireland and Northern Ireland while eligible professionals from overseas may compete in the Southern qualifying test.

These eliminating tests which are in course of arrangement will qualify 100 players to take part in the final stages of the tournament.

It has been the policy of The Daily Mail to make the tournament a really national event, and with that in view the final has been taken to different parts of England and nearly always played on courses which rarely house professional tournaments.

ON A PUBLIC COURSE

Next year, the final stages will be played at Bournemouth, a district abounding in beautiful courses, which has never before been the venue of a national professional golf tournament.

Another unusual feature of the 1939 event is that it will be played on a public course. The Queen's Park course, one of the two governed by the Corporation of Bournemouth, has been selected for the final stages which will be played on March 25, 30, and 31.

Queen's Park, although only about 6,300 yards in length, is heather golf, bounded by pine woods and such a one example of modern green architecture that it has a scratch score of 75. Those who have played over it, including Reginald Whitcombe, the Open champion, claim that an average of fours is a good score, even for a professional.

THE FINAL FIELD

The field for the finals at Bournemouth will consist of: 37 players from the Southern Section, 25 " " " Northern " " " " " Midland " " " " " Eastern " " " " " Western " " " " " Welsh " " " " " Scottish " " " " " Northern Ireland

If this proves to be correct, it may show that it is possible to construct a course entertaining for average golfers and still sufficiently exacting for a first-class professional tournament, without making it extremely long.

The qualifying competitions will begin on March 1, the actual dates and venues now being in course of arrangement.

The number of players to qualify from each district is based upon the membership of the P.G.A. in the area, the proportion in the past having been about one player to 14 eligible professionals.

Every one of the 100 players who reaches the final stage will receive a prize. The player with the best score for the final 72 holes of stroke play will receive the biggest prize in golf, £500.

One round of 18 holes will be played on each of the first two days, and at the half-way stage all but a maximum of fifty players leading the field—ties for fifteenth place will not count—will be eliminated. But by an adjustment made in the prize list even those who are compulsorily retired will receive the minimum prize of £10, while all the survivors will have chances to increase their prize money on the final day when the remaining 36 holes will be played.

Badminton

LADIES' LEAGUE RESULTS

Two Recreio Teams Win Easily

Both Club de Recreio teams were successful in the ladies' section of the Badminton League last evening, the "A" team defeating the European Y.M.C.A. by 9-0 and the "B" team beating St. Andrew's by 8-1.

Scores:

RECREIO "A" v. EUROPEAN "Y"
Mrs. N. Castro and Miss M. Xavier (Recreio) beat Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Honey 21-2; beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Short 21-0; beat Mr. Hamden and Mrs. Kerr 21-1.

Miss O. Ribeiro and Miss M. Ribeiro (Recreio) beat Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Honey 21-4; beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Short 21-4; beat Mrs. Hamden and Mrs. Kerr 21-6.
Miss C. M. Silva and Miss M. Silva (Recreio) beat Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Honey 21-10; beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Short 21-13; beat Mrs. Hamden and Mrs. Kerr 21-9.

RECREIO "B" v. ST. ANDREW'S
Miss S. Remedios and Miss I. Pereira (Recreio) lost to Miss M. Churn and Miss A. E. Greiner 13-21; beat Miss F. Wong and Miss J. Wong 21-15; beat Mrs. M. Anderson and Miss G. White 21-4.

Miss A. Noronha and Miss M. Oliveira (Recreio) beat Miss Churn and Miss Greiner 21-8; beat Mrs. Wong and Miss Wong 21-8; beat Mrs. Anderson and Miss White 21-7.

Mrs. S. Sousa and Miss A. Remedios (Recreio) beat Miss Churn and Miss Greiner 21-10; beat Mrs. Wong and Miss Wong 21-13; beat Mrs. Anderson and Miss White 21-8.



"Two-Ton" Tony Galento, of Orange, N.J., contender for the world's heavyweight boxing championship, is certain of beating Joe Louis if and when they meet. Stricken with pneumonia last July, he made a good recovery and recently beat Harry Thomas by a technical knockout in the third round. He claims to train on beer and is owner of a pub.

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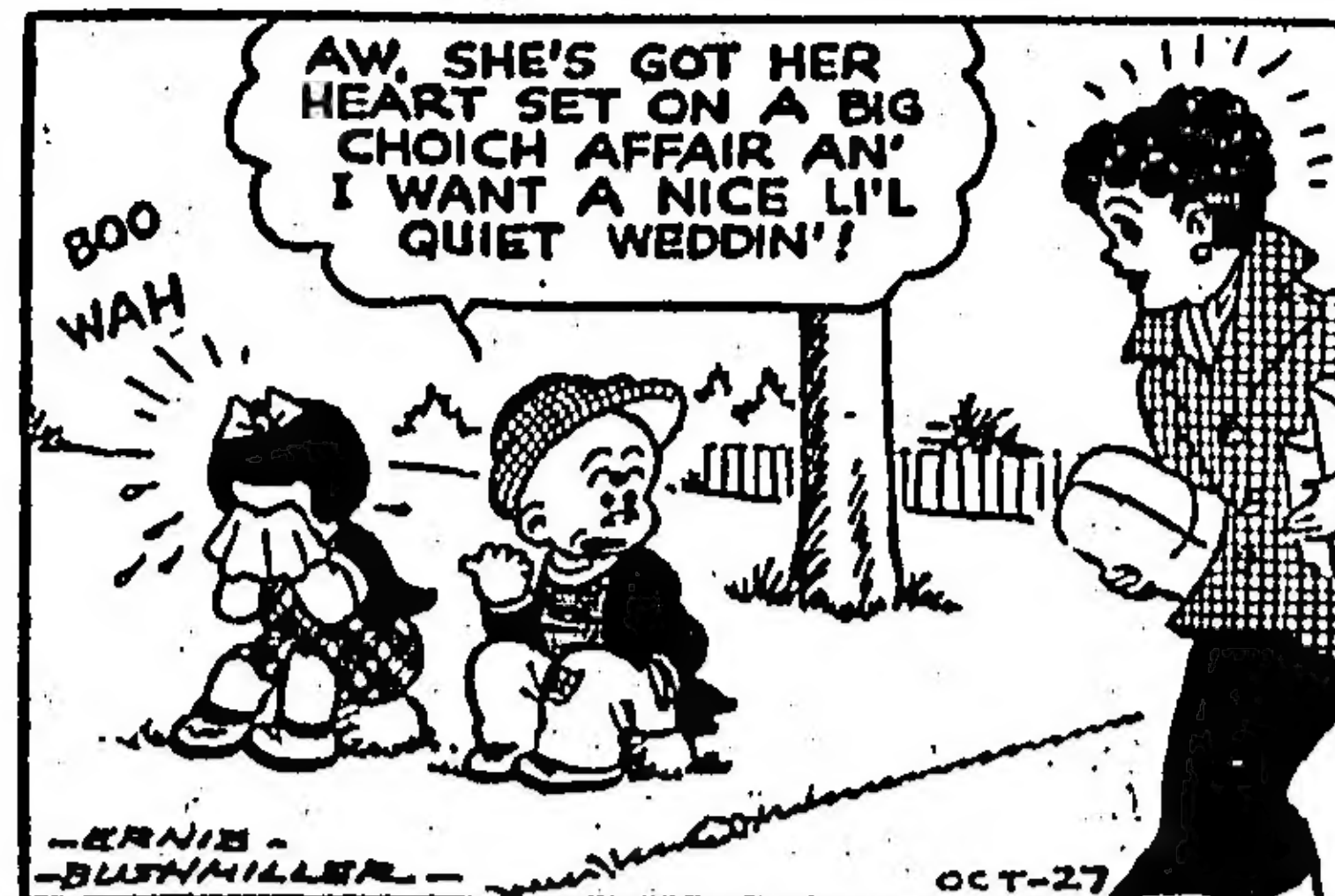
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LATEST GOSSIP FROM HOMESIDE SPORTS

CAMPAIGN TO OBTAIN BETTER CONDITIONS FOR ENGLISH BOXERS

London, Nov. 18. **PUNCH-DRUNK** boxers should be suspended from boxing until they are fit again, and special medical officers should attend fights to report on men showing signs of punch-drunkness. This is one of the recommendations of the National Boxing Association in its campaign for better conditions. Proposing the sterilising of gloves after each contest, the N.B.A. points out that "Dirty, sweaty gloves harbour germs and are a grave danger to boxers and others. Blindness has been caused by dirty gloves."

Hampston's Case

LEN HAMPTON, bantam-weight boxing champion of the North, hung up his gloves for the last time on Wednesday night—his manager, Joe Shepherd, of Newcastle, foretold for him a future in the ring which might end in punch-drunkness. "When a man is punch-drunk he has no brains left," Mr. Shepherd stated. During his eight years in the ring, Hampton has twice fought for the British title.

For Stud Farm?

HELLENQUA is to make another appearance at Newmarket—not this time as a competitor for one of our chief handicaps, but as one of the lots to be sold on the Wednesday during the December Sales Week. It is common knowledge that she could have been bought for rather

less than £500 in Cambridgeshire week. Before carrying off the Cambridgeshire, Hellenqua won no fewer than 10 races in France in four seasons, so she has made herself worthy of a place in any stud farm. The Racing fixture list for 1940 is rather unusual, as sport under Jockey Club rules will be begun on Easter Monday, March 25.

Rugby Mix-Up

It is announced officially by the Swinton Rugby League Club that W. H. Hopkin, the former Newport and Welsh International three-quarter who last March was expelled by the Welsh Union for alleged infringement of the amateur code, had signed professional forms for Swinton and would play for them on Saturday. Mr. S. Jones, secretary of the club said: "It is quite true. Hopkin came to terms with us on Wednesday." Meantime, Hopkin emphatically denied the signing. "I have not signed forms for any Rugby League club. I am not a professional." It will be recalled that a request by Hopkin for reinstatement by the Welsh Union last September was refused.

Easier For Cyclists

A NEW international document, which will make it possible to cycle across Europe with the minimum Customs formalities, is announced by the Cyclists Touring Club. It is called a Carnet de Passages en Douane and replaces the separate Customs tickets and trip-tickets which have previously been necessary to avoid paying Customs dues at each frontier. France is the only important country where the carnet will not be valid. A Customs ticket and "circulation permit" will in this case still be necessary.

Hall's Record

EVERY London footballer must feel proud of Willie Hall, the Tottenham inside-forward, who made English Soccer history at Old Trafford in the international match against Ireland this week. Three goals in three minutes in the first half of a match of this class is enough to place a man among the immortals. But to cap it with two more goals in the second half is a wonder afternoon. Willie Hall is not likely to forget. Hall's five goals is a record in individual football in a full international match. Scotland's record is held by Hugh Gallacher, once of Chelsea, who when Scotland beat Ireland by 7-3 at Belfast in 1920 scored five times.

Soccer Transfers

TWO striking developments in the football transfer-market have been reported this week. It is reported that Sheffield Wednesday have made an offer to Derby County for Sammy Crooks, the international outside-right. Sunderland have offered £22,000 for the Glasgow Celtic players—Crum, a centre forward, and Delaney, but have been informed that it is not a bit of use making the journey to Glasgow, as the players could not be transferred. Although definite information of the Crooks negotiations was not forthcoming, Sheffield are hopeful of getting the players.

To Give Up Rugby

C. J. Rely, the Irish international forward, is to give up Rugby in order to go in for serious coaching.

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL CUP TOURNEY DRAW

The draw for the First Round of the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup football competition was made at the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council on Monday.

The draw will be re-made if Portugal, who are at present uncertain of competing, enter before the end of the week. The draw was as follows:

December 26
England v. Scotland (Kowloon), 4 p.m.
December 27

Ireland v. China (Club), 4 p.m.
The following were appointed convenors for the different countries: England, Mr. J. Skinner; Scotland, Capt. S. Masterson-Smith; Ireland, Cpl. S. MacCormac; China, Representative of Chinese teams.

INTERPORT WITH MANILA
The Council also discussed the possibility of establishing a permanent Interport Association Football series with Manila, who have written to the Colony expressing great keenness to pay a visit. The Hongkong Management Committee made certain proposals to Manila, who replied indicating that they visited Hongkong, they hoped that Hongkong would reciprocate the gesture and visit Manila in April.

The matter was referred to the Management Committee, who were empowered to proceed with negotiations.

TEAM TO TOUR AMERICA

London, Nov. 30. The committee of the Scottish Football Association has recommended that a team be sent to tour Canada and the United States in 1939. Ratification is almost certain, with the team leaving on May 10 for a two-months' tour.—Reuter.

John Bromwich Carries Off N. S. W. Title

Sydney, Dec. 4. The finals of the New South Wales tennis championships were a triumph for youth. In the men's doubles, John Bromwich and Adrian Quist beat Harry Hopman and Len Schwartz 6-6, 6-1, 3-6, 10-8. Bromwich beat his doubles partner, Quist, in the singles final 6-2, 6-4, 6-3. Miss Thelma Coyne defeated Miss Joan Hartigan in the women's singles championship 6-2, 6-3.

LUNCH SCORES

Durban, Dec. 6. Cricket lunch scores were Natal 307 and M.C.C. 285-3 (Hutton 108).—Reuter Bulletin.

In field events, it was Franz Stampf, the Austrian coach in charge of the South London Harriers, who runs their headquarters at Coulsdon, who inspired Rely by assuring him that he has real potentialities as a discus and hammer thrower. Rely has been a prominent member of the London Irish Rugby pack for a good many seasons. He was capped by Ireland against Wales in 1937.

Kid Tanner Beaten

KID Tanner, British Guiana bantam and featherweight champion, was beaten for the first time by a British Boxer on Thursday night. He lost on points over ten rounds to Tommy Burns (Stockton), at Liverpool. Tanner had previously won twenty-one successive fights in this country. Tanner took his defeat in a splendid spirit. He was nursing a swollen left hand in the dressing room after the fight, and he said: "This is a good break for Burns. I thought I had won. I hope Burns can go on winning; then perhaps we can get together again."



Mrs. A. E. Southard, wife of the Consul General for the United States of America in Hongkong, looking on during the opening game of the Ladies' Softball League, which was inaugurated last Sunday. The match was that between the Filipino Club and the Club de Recreo. Mr. L. R. Hildebrand, President of the League, is looking on.—Photo by Ming Yuen.

DEANNA SCORES AGAIN

"That Certain Age" Wins Approval

"That Certain Age", a Universal production is a somewhat new style of story for that attractive little actress and actress, Deanna Durbin. The film, which was previewed yesterday morning, will commence local screenings at the Queen's and Alhambra, shortly. It is an excellent production and, in the opinion of this reviewer, should on no account be missed.

In this film, the screen development of Deanna Durbin has taken a further step for she now plays the part of a schoolgirl who imagines love with a weary reporter. In short, the film is a romantic comedy of adolescence. Edward Ludwig, the director, has handled this difficult subject with admirable tact and restraint.

Naturally, opportunities are made for the introduction of songs—for what Deanna Durbin film would be complete without them? Oddly enough, though, major interest is concentrated upon her ability to convey a state of adolescent romance that is touching and charming. The humour in the film is honest and straightforward and rouses hearty understanding laughter.

Deanna Durbin is the young girl, Alice Fullerton, who mixes with a gang of youngsters and is extremely fond of Ken (Jackie Cooper). A famous reporter, Vincent Bullitt (Melvyn Douglas), arrives to spend a holiday with her father. At first, Alice and the gang resent his arrival, but later the young girl ignores her friends and treats Ken with scant consideration in her efforts to please the new arrival. Eventually, her family realise the position and it is only after the welcome arrival of Grace, another reporter, who pretends she is Bullitt's wife, that the

Kid Tanner May Be A Champion

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However, Boon's manager is as confident as ever. He assured me that Boon can be matched with Danahar at 9st. 9lb. immediately, over any distance. Mr. John Harding of the N.S.C. (who are providing Danahar with motherly guidance), stated that Danahar was equally keen to fight Boon.

WHY WAIT?

So what are they waiting for? Maurice Strickland having returned to New York, thus causing the collapse of his Empire heavyweight bout with Larry Gains (which would have collapsed, anyway), Gains claims the championship.

The Board might as well give it to him, and allow George James to challenge for it when he meets Gains at Cardiff on December 7. The men were matched yesterday. In any case, this fight offers James a big chance. Gains may be a veteran, but he is a formidable one, and a victory over him would be a fine feather in James's cap. If James surmounts this hurdle, Mr. Sydney Hulls will match him with the winner of the coming Harvey-Phillips contest.

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Melvyn Douglas is delightful as the weary reporter whilst Irene Rich as the young girl's mother makes a welcome reappearance to the screen. It is many years now, since Irene Rich delighted film audiences. Jackie Cooper quite grown-up these days, is the young sultor. Special mention must be made of the delightful performance given by little Juanita Quigley as his persistent small sister.

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MANSLAUGHTER RULED OUT

Mr. Justice Asquith, summing up, said the case was full of horror but the jury were spared the horror of knowing that any decision could result in the death penalty. It was practically conceded, said the Judge, that if an adult had done what the accused boy was alleged to have done, it would be murder. Had the prosecution satisfied them that the accused boy, under 14, knew that what he had done was seriously and gravely wrong?

The Judge commented:—"A lot has been said that he must be shown to be an abnormal boy. That is not the way the principle should be applied, as it seems to me. The question is, 'Did he know that what he was doing was seriously and gravely wrong?' I have been invited to rule there is an alternative—manslaughter. As a matter of law I would direct you that there are no facts in this case which would justify a verdict of manslaughter."

The jury, as stated, after an absence of 13 hours, found the accused boy Not Guilty. Before he was discharged, Mr. Eastwood said he thought there were powers under the Act of 1933 to deal with this case. Counsel said that the boy, with the approval of his mother, would go back to the remand home whence he had been brought, and he thought there was sufficient grounds to bring the boy before a Juvenile Court, where an order could be made for his care and supervision in the future. Mr. Justice Asquith ordered the boy to be discharged.

BOY ACQUITTED OF MURDER

CRIMINAL INTENT AS ISSUE

GIRL'S BODY IN SACK

A schoolboy aged 13 appeared before Mr. Justice Asquith at the Central Criminal Court recently charged with the murder of Beryl Ann Osborne, aged four, whose body was found in a sack in a conservatory at the rear of a house near her home at Hazellville Road, Upper Holloway.

There were two women on the jury. After an absence of one hour and three-quarters the jury found the boy Not Guilty and he was discharged.

It was stated in evidence that the girl lived with her mother and grandmother. One day she was playing out of doors and she missed. The next morning her body was found naked in a sack underneath a pile of attic cases in the conservatory. The child had been gagged and tied up.

The boy later made a statement, which Mr. G. B. McClure, for the prosecution, submitted was a confession that he killed the little girl.

DEFENCE SUBMISSION
Sir Bernard Spilsbury said that in his opinion the cause of death was strangulation by a ligature around the neck. There was evidence of interference.

At the close of the case for the prosecution, Mr. J. F. Eastwood, K.C., leading counsel for the defence, submitted that there had been no evidence to rebut the presumption that a boy under 14 was incapable of sufficient evil intent to commit a crime. He suggested that there was a question of manslaughter in the case.

Mr. Justice Asquith.—Can you conceive a verdict of manslaughter on this evidence?—Yes. While it would clearly be murder in the case of an adult, if the jury were not satisfied that the boy expected death or grievous bodily harm to follow his tying up of the girl, but thought he knew it was an illegal act, then the jury might find a verdict of manslaughter.

The Judge said he would consult authorities on the question of manslaughter, about which he was a little puzzled. On the question of rebutting the presumption that the boy was incapable of discretion, he ruled that the case should go to the jury.

A NORMAL BOY
The accused boy did not go into the witness-box, and no evidence was given for the defence. Mr. Eastwood, in his address to the jury, said he had called no evidence because he relied on the lack of evidence of the prosecution to show that the boy was an abnormal boy.

Counsel continued:—"A child under eight cannot commit a crime according to our law. From the age of eight to 14 the law assumes that a child cannot have the necessary criminal intention which would justify a jury in finding him guilty of a crime, but evidence of abnormality takes them out of this rule of law."

Mr. Eastwood said his case was that the boy was normal and came within the rule. He continued that in these days of the cinema one did not know the effect on the infant mind of pictures where the hero, tied up with ropes, escaped at the eleventh hour.

Again, said counsel, hundreds of people were searching in sexual matters, particularly in regard to children. If, he concluded, the prosecution had satisfied the jury that the boy was abnormal they should then consider whether he knew that death or grievous bodily harm must result from this act. If they thought he did not know that, it amounted to a verdict of manslaughter.

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Ruth Etting, blues singer, who testified under oath in a Los Angeles court that she was not married to Myrl Alderman, wounded in a shooting at her home. Miss Etting's former husband, "Colonel" Martin (Mac) Snyder, is charged with assault and battery in connection with the shooting. Miss Etting has been sued for \$150,000 by Mrs. Alderman.

"I know Germany rejects the charge of unfitness to govern natives which was made against her after the war."

WIPED OUT

It may well have been too sweeping, but we must not forget her deliberate extermination of the bulk of the Herrero tribe in former German South-West Africa during 1903 and 1908, or the similar wiping out of something like 150,000 natives in the rising in East Africa against German rule during 1905 and 1906.

These acts by Germany were taken as evidence of a temper, which, judging by the recent campaign of cowardly brutality against the Jews, seems, if anything, to have been accentuated under the Nazi regime.

In their plea for support from England, settlers in East Africa point out that if Germany is given back the surrendered colonies England will thus be providing her with air bases, harbours for submarines, an open road to Lake Victoria and the sources of the Nile, from which it would be possible to threaten the Sudan and Egypt.



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It is understood that the Emergency Refugee Council will establish, in the very near future, food kitchens at Shumchun, Shataukok, Lokmauchau and Namtau, with a view to encouraging the refugees to return to Chinese territory.

An authoritative statement on the refugees in the New Territories states that the Hongkong Government considers that it is entirely in the interest of the people both of the Chinese districts adjoining Hongkong and of Hongkong itself that all the refugees who can return to their homes should do so. The frontier districts are now quite safe from all danger. Proof of this was given by the complete withdrawal of British troops from the border.

In order that confidence may be given to the people, the Government wishes that any further temporary provision for refugees should be made on the Chinese side of the frontier. It has therefore asked the Emergency Refugee Council, in co-operation with the various Chinese societies which have done so much for the relief of refugees during the recent period of danger, to open food kitchens at once at Shumchun, Sha Tau Kok and Lok Ma Chau, and, as soon as possible, in the neighbourhood of Namtau. The Government will make itself responsible for the provision of water, sanitary arrangements and medical attendance at the food kitchens which it is proposed to open just beyond the Hongkong border.

When these are opened the food kitchens at present operating in the New Territories will be closed down. In the meantime the Government earnestly requests that the indiscriminate distribution of such food as bread and buns and biscuits should cease immediately. The urgent need which prompted this method of supplying food now no longer exists, and, in spite of the excellent intentions of the donors, the system is wasteful and prevents the establishment of regular provision for those who are really in want. The accommodation which is provided for refugees in Kam Tin Camp

and at Fanling will remain, in addition to the Urban camps, and, it is necessary as a temporary measure, the Emergency Refugee Council will supervise the maintenance of food kitchens at points where they are needed, but it is believed that the refugees will wish to return as soon as possible to their own homes, and every facility will be given to them to do so.

NEW ZEALAND HELP
The New Zealand Red Cross Society has subscribed £1,000 to the Hongkong Red Cross as an additional contribution for the refugees in South China. It will be recalled that the New Zealand Red Cross Society has maintained two ambulances in China since the commencement of hostilities.

REFUGEES' WORKSHOP

Generous Donations By Chinese Ladies

Members of the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club raised \$3,000 as an initial fund for the establishment of a refugees' handicraft workshop within five minutes at a meeting of the club on Monday.

Immediately after the Chairman of the club, Mrs. Low, reported the workshop plan, members vied with each other in making pledges of various amounts. Mrs. Low Pui-chuen, Miss Hu So-ling and the Chairman each pledged \$500, Mrs. Chan Kien-um \$200, Mrs. Li Fong, Mrs. Chan Fung-tee and Mrs. New Wing-chen each \$100 and another member who wished to remain anonymous \$1,000.

The workshop, it is learned, will be established in collaboration with the Hongkong Chinese Women's Thrift Association, which will raise a similar amount of funds—Central News.

CHAMBER MUSIC

Concert Club to Hold First Meeting

The first meeting of the Hongkong Chamber Concert Club will be held, by the kind invitation of His Excellency the Governor, at Government House on Tuesday, December 13, at 6.30 p.m. The programme, arranged by Mr. Lindsay A. Lafford, will consist of two trios played by Miss Prue Lewis, S. Ettore Pellegrini, L.A.M., and Mr. Lindsay A. Lafford, F.R.C.O. Beethoven's Trio in E-flat major (Opus 1, No. 1) and Zanella's Trio in E minor (op. 23). In addition Mr. Gaston D'Aquino will sing a group of songs.

Admission to this meeting of the Club is limited to members, subscribers and the guests of subscribers. It has already been pointed out in these columns that the membership fee of \$5 for six concerts has been kept as low as possible so that no person interested in chamber music need be excluded. Those able to do so are asked to join, not as members, but as guarantor subscribers and to pay \$25, for which they gain admission for themselves and one guest to each of the concerts. The higher rate of subscription over membership fee is intended to serve as a donation to enable the Club to carry through its scheme of about six concerts during the present season.

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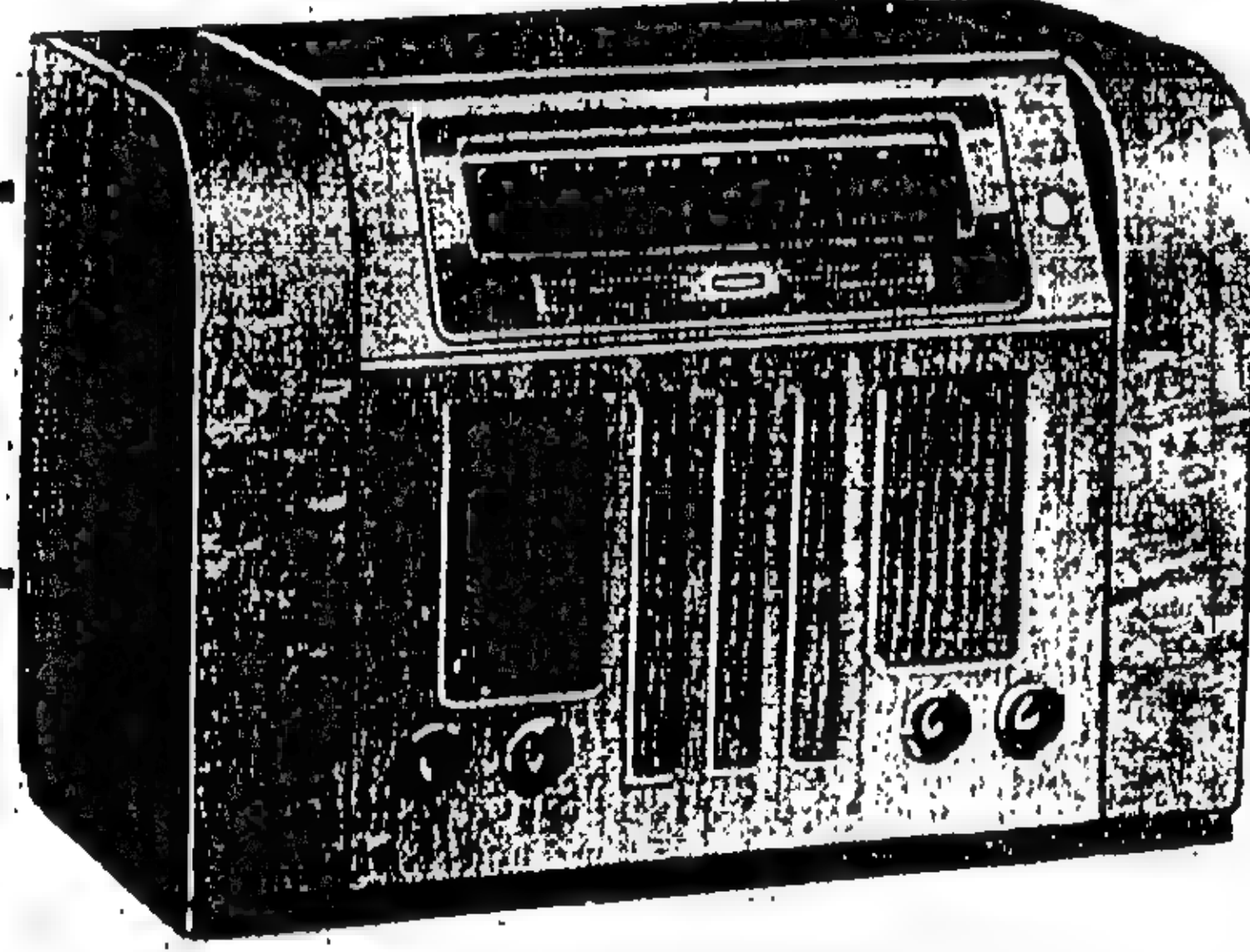
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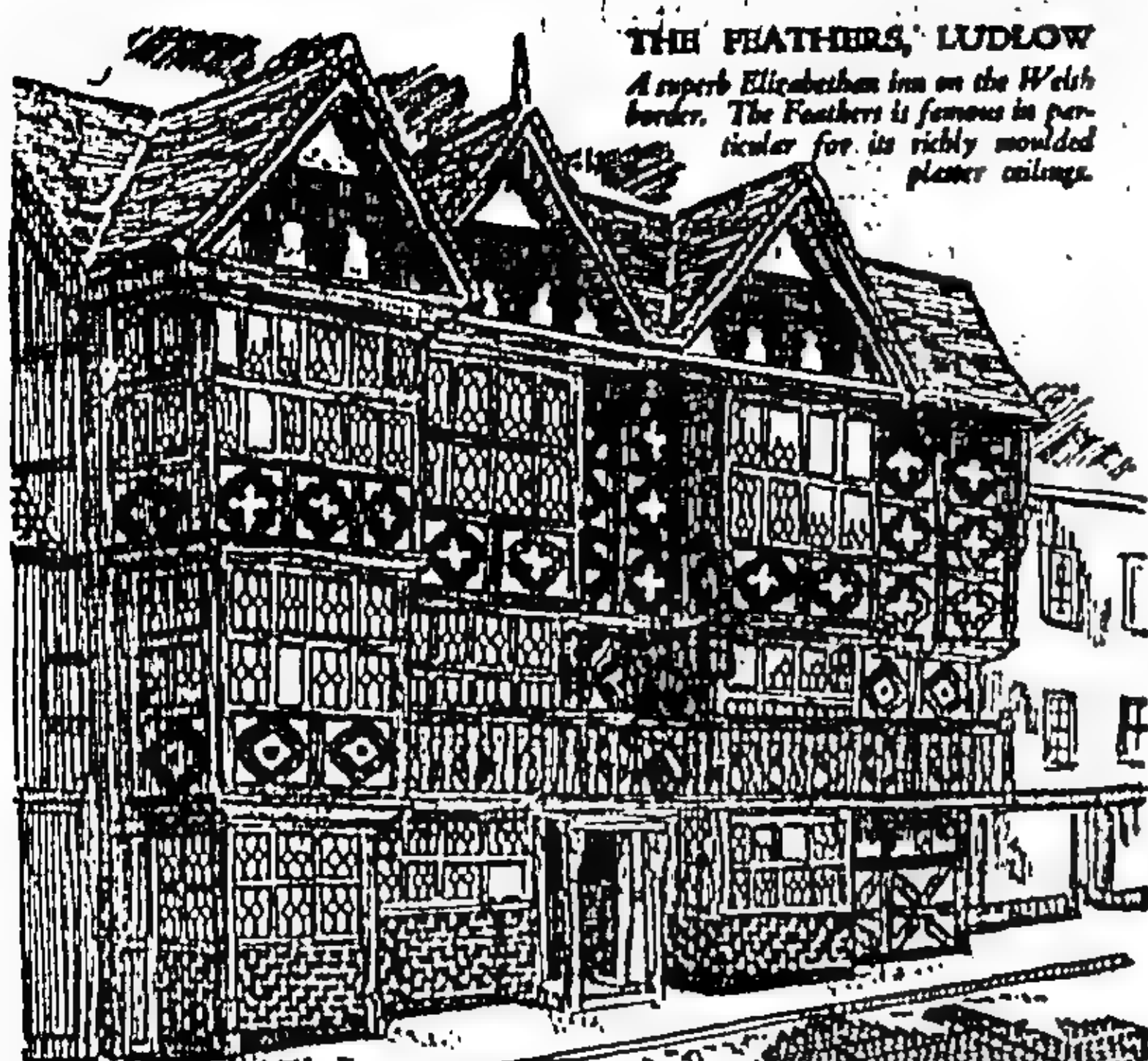
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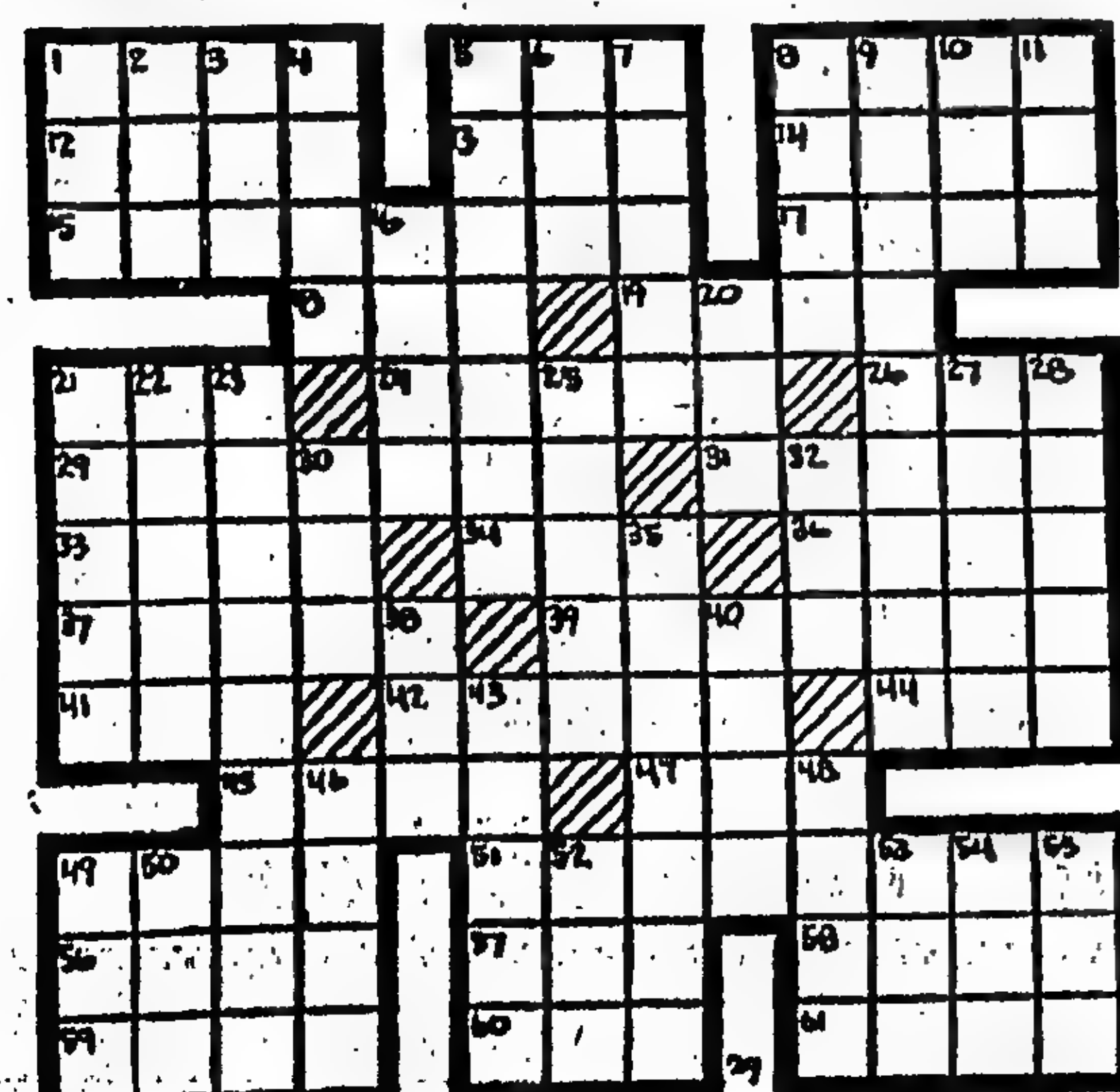
ACROSS

1-National Socialist
2-Tripoline match
3-Tiered
4-Solar glass
5-Agrarian
6-Castor oil
7-Year-old staff
8-Scour to plow
9-Grain
10-Melody
11-Serena
12-Kinship of Victor
13-Emmanuel
14-John rooster
15-Bacopa
16-Mr. Van Winkle
17-Full-moon pipe
18-Dealers in cloth
19-Knob
20-Victoria
21-Observ
22-Cornucopia
23-Circus-dog
24-House of clowns
25-Belov
26-Unlocked
27-Corruption

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

DOWN

1-Genus of maize
2-Dog word by Japanese
3-Orbit molecule
4-Kingly
5-Regard as precious
6-Be it
7-Evil
8-Not clerical
9-Kind of whiskey
10-Shakina
11-Glebe
12-Abundant
13-For one wide
14-Worship
15-Thick
16-Small gab
17-Part of mouth
18-Tritite
19-Oil
20-At sea
21-Land
22-Secretary
23-Cupid
24-Troop
25-Collection of notes
26-Write
27-Mime
28-Exclamation
29-Revolution



WINTER WEAR STYLES

Dark coloured costumes are pushed into the background by the new two-coloured and striped suits. The photograph at right shows two of these new suits complete with seven-eighth coats with broad shoulders and large revers. Below: A charming evening gown in organdy with large dark-blue and pink squares is very fashionable this winter. Note the full skirt and novel ruffling width on the shoulders which form a little shawl.



Look Your Best at the Dance

EVERY girl likes to look her best and to appear as fresh and sparkling as possible when going out to a dance or any other form of evening entertainment.

The best way of ensuring this is to rest for at least an hour before getting ready. Many women complain that they have no time to do so, but much can be done by preparing everything in readiness beforehand. Fifteen or twenty minutes spent in careful preparation during the early part of the day will often save an hour of worry and bustle just before you start out.

Never be content with merely saying to yourself, "I will wear my black frock to-night." Take the frock from its hanger, shake it out, and make sure that it is in order, pressing it over with an iron if necessary, so that it can be slipped on in a moment when the time comes. Hunt out all the things which go with it, the right underclothing, the stockings, clean and without holes or ladders, the shoes, in perfect order, and any beads, ornaments, or other accessories that you usually wear with it.

Most of us know the disaster of finding an unexpected ladder in our evening stockings, or of hunting frantically for a missing brooch or necklace at the last minute. Manicure and polish your nails thoroughly at an odd moment during the day, and they will need only a small amount of attention later.

Rest and Relaxation

With everything in readiness, you can lie down and rest with an easy mind. Undress and get right into bed in a darkened room, and close your eyes, make your mind a blank as far as possible, and go to sleep if you can. Even if you do not lose consciousness, you will enjoy lying quietly in this pleasant state of relaxation, perhaps dozing, and you will feel quite different, mentally and physically, afterwards.

A warm bath should then be taken if you have no bath-salts throw in a handful of kitchen salt. It is most refreshing, and is good for the skin. Dry yourself quickly, and then rub the body well over with a little eau-de-Cologne or lavender water. You will feel delightfully cool and fresh after it.

Partly dress, and then attend to your hair. Give it a good brushing, and if a few drops of perfume are sprinkled on the brush the result will be a slight but fascinating aroma that will last for the rest of the evening. There is no more alluring charm for any woman than delicately scented hair.

The face should be thoroughly cleansed before applying any make-up, for this, to be successful, depends on a good foundation, and a skin that is not perfectly clean, with the pores and tiny muscles beneath it clogged up, will never respond to rouge and powder.

The Hands and Nails

Dab a little astringent over the face and neck to give a final tightening to the pores, then put the cream on smoothly, dust on the powder, and finally apply the rouge. All your cosmetics should be the very best you can afford; the cheap variety will soon ruin the best of skins.

Hands that are looking rather discoloured can be made beautiful with a quick pack treatment. Place a tablespoonful of powdered milk in a clean basin, and add enough peroxide to make it into a thick cream. After washing and drying the hands, apply this cream, massaging it in like a skin food. Leave it on as long as possible, then remove with warm water, and the hands will be beautifully white and soft.

Nails which are not quite perfect can be camouflaged by the use of cream varnish. The present fashion of varnishing right to the tip is invaluable to women who do much housework or typing—the opaque quality of the cream varnish hides small blemishes.

When you are quite ready, stand in front of a long mirror and look yourself well over before putting on your wraps; only in this way can you be sure that you are right in every detail.

M. L. Stoddard

Odd Flower Holders

HAVE you ever tried experiment-ing with old household articles as receptacles for your cut flowers? If you have not, you can have no idea what a difference an out-of-the-ordinary holder can make to your room decorations.

One has a tendency to be dissatisfied with one's floral arrangements when they always repeat the same few patterns. This is particularly so at this time of the year, when there is not much variety in the flowers themselves.

The easiest way to introduce a new one is by way of your containers. Unusual ones will often demand new forms of grouping, and so you will find yourself varying your arrangements almost unconsciously.

Most of us have at least one shelf in the cupboard that is full of discarded pots, pans, mugs, jars, and dishes. Sort these over and you will probably discover half-a-dozen lovely new holders for your blooms.

There is that old goldfish globe, for instance. The children no longer have any interest in goldfish, and the round glass globe has been lying idle and useless for the past year. Give it a new lease of life, for it will hold sprays of yellow and scarlet berries admirably, or prove a perfect setting for a few late roses.

Ways With Soup Dishes

Old-fashioned gravy bowls, odd soup plates, soup tureens and ferns, or a grouping of autumn leaves, berries, and Chinese lanterns, natives to your ordinary vases, and be very effective.

Mass some button chrysanthemums in a tureen, and hang some trails of small-leaved ivy over the edge, and you have a charming centerpiece for the table. If you have two gravy boats, you can fill these with chrysanthemums and ivy in the same way, and use them as flanking pieces for your tureen.

A pretty way of arranging a spray

of small leaves in a soup plate is to bend one end of a length of rabbit wire over the edge of the plate, curve it to form a semi-arc over the plate, and then twist your spray loosely round the wire. Let a few inches of the spray droop beyond the end of the wire and lay one or two short sprays in the plate. Winter jasmine looks lovely used like this.

When you have grown tired of this floral picture, change it by floating a few chrysanthemums or anemones in the plate under the arch of leaves.

For the Bedroom

Small terra-cotta honey pots are just right for holding anemones, or a short sprig of yellow or purple berries. If you have one or two of these on your ornamental shelf, paint some of them in different colours. They make dainty flower holders for the bedroom, especially if they are painted to match the colour scheme of the room.

Have you an old palm-stand put away in disgrace in the attic? If so, why not bring it out and place it in the hall, or at the head of the staircase? It can be used to hold a bowl of trailing leaves and creepers, and will brighten up the entrance to your rooms.

Even baskets can be utilised for your flowers. An old work-basket will look delightful filled with ferns, or a grouping of autumn leaves, berries, and Chinese lanterns, natives to your ordinary vases, and be very effective.

It is advisable to line the basket with American cloth or waterproof sheeting first. Then fill it with damp moss, and stick your flowers into this, using wire supports where necessary. If the basket has a hinged lid do not take this off. Tie some ribbon round the corners and down on to the basket, to keep the lid upright. It will thus act as a background for your grouping.

Dina Lawrence

Try A Little Starch

STARCH has many uses in addition to the generally known one of making laundry stiff and glossy.

You will find that cut flowers keep fresh for a considerable time if you dip the ends of the stems in a solution of starch before you place the blooms in vases. This is well worth while, especially when flowers are expensive in the winter months.

If you are out of polish when you are cleaning silver, try some powdered starch.

When lace or net curtains are torn, take a small piece of the same material and, when you have dipped it in starch, place it over the tear and press with a warm iron. The patch will hardly be noticeable.

When a child tumbles and does not break the skin, but only bruises, moisten dry starch and apply to the place, this will keep down swelling

Vinegar Uses

A LITTLE vinegar added to the water when washing a vacuum flask will not only help to clean it, but will remove any musty smell. Leave the mixture to stand in the flask for a while, and then rinse with clear water.

To preserve silk stockings, add a little vinegar to the rinsing water.

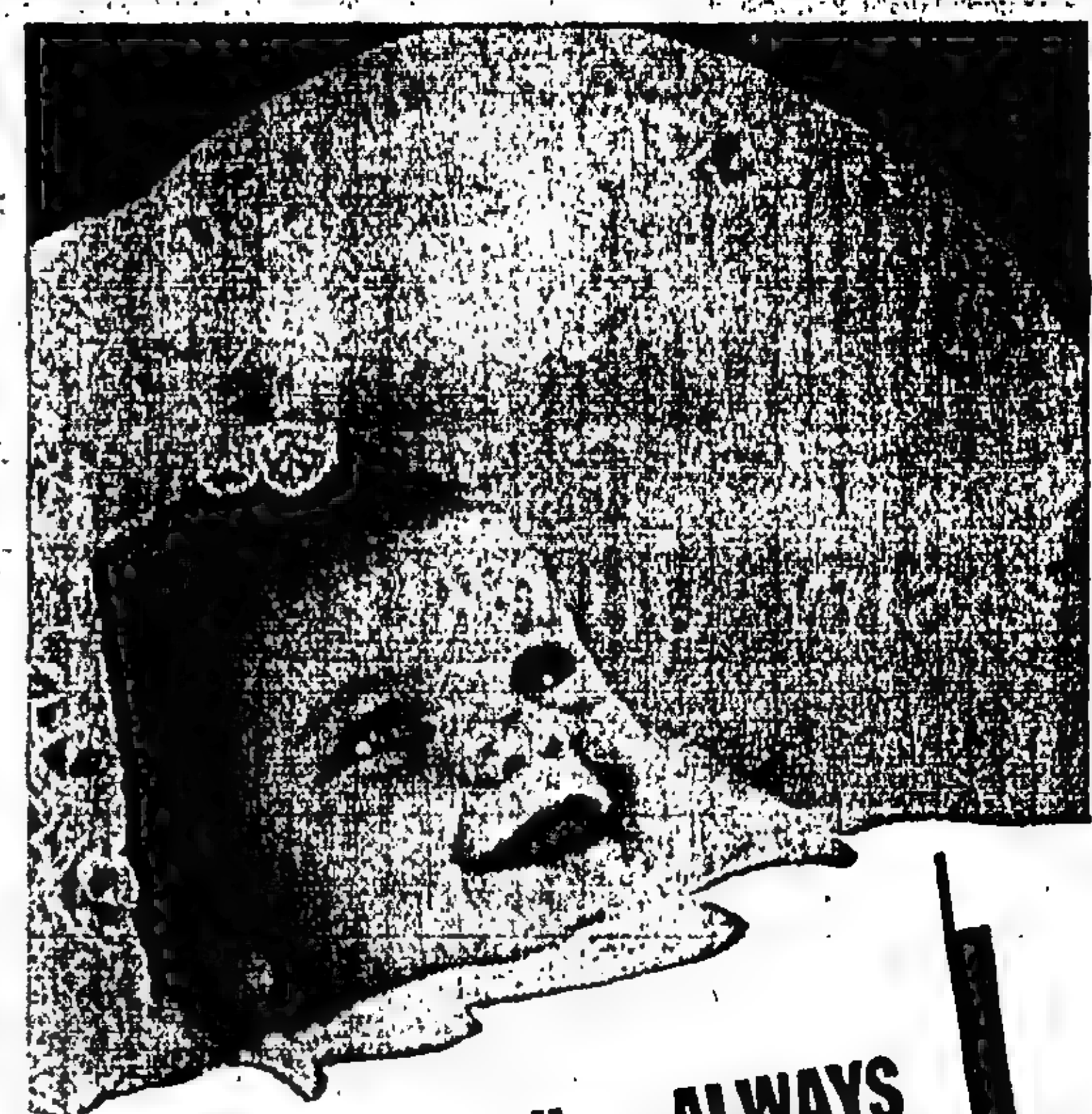
One dessertspoonful mixed in the water in which the hair is rinsed will make it soft and lustrous.

As a setting lotion for the hair vinegar is effective. Two parts of vinegar should be used to one of water.

R. D.

and lessen the discoloration. Another household wrinkle is to add a little starch to the water when you wash windows. You will soon discover that removing the dirt has become a simple matter, and the window has a highly polished finish when rubbed with chamois leather.

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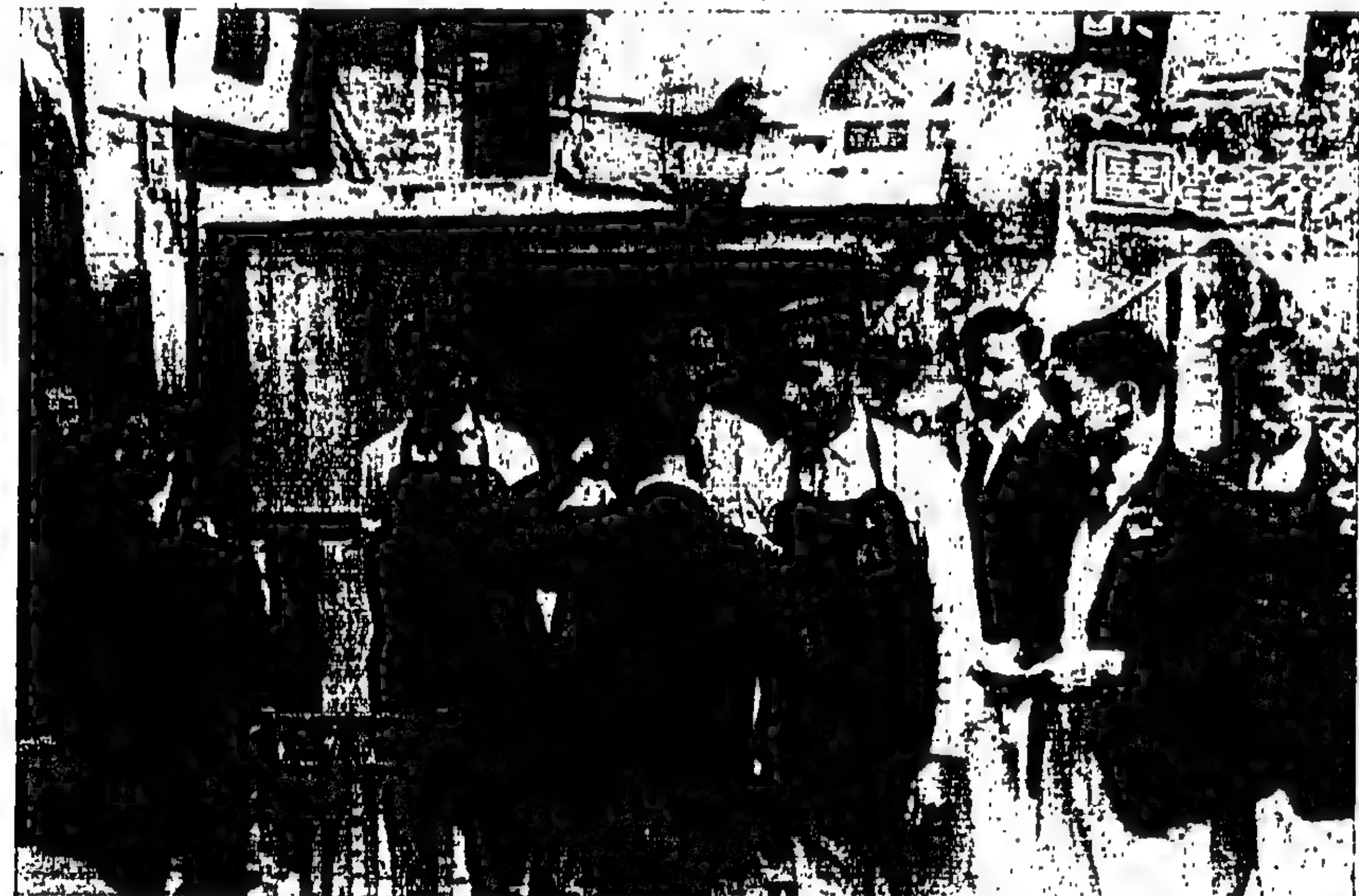
Mrs. N. L. SMITH OPENS RECENT BAZAAR



Group photograph taken at the opening of the recent annual bazaar held in aid of the Diocese of Victoria, Hongkong.—Mee Cheung.



The Diocesan Boys' School Shoe Shining Club who were a novel attraction at the recent bazaar held at St. Paul's College.—Mee Cheung.



Members of the Diocesan Boys' School Shoe Shining Club had a brisk trade at the recent bazaar.—Staff Photographer.



Dr. Katie Woo, Principal of St. Paul's Girls' College, and Mrs. N. L. Smith at the annual bazaar held recently in aid of the Diocese of Victoria, Hongkong.—Staff Photographer.



Mrs. N. L. Smith, accompanied by Dr. Katie Wood, Principal of St. Paul's Girls' College, arriving to open the recent bazaar held in aid of the Diocese of Victoria, Hongkong.—Staff Photographer.



Two tiny tots presenting Mrs. N. L. Smith with a bouquet of flowers after she opened the bazaar.—Staff Photographer.



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YAUMATI FIRE

Inquest Finds Cause
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The inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of a woman named Ip Kam, who died through multiple burns and shock received in the big fire in Shanghai Street, Yaumati, on November 12, concluded at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen acted as Coroner, with the assistance of a Jury comprising Messrs. J. Hoare (Foreman), Lam Tii-hang and G. A. Gutierrez.

The fire occurred in the early hours of the morning and caused the death of 12 persons, 11 of whom perished in the flames. One person died of injuries in hospital.

Yesterday, Cheung Seung, woman principal tenant of No. 277 Shanghai Street, the house which caught fire, said that she had approached the rent collector of the house some time before the fire, requesting the installation of a ladder to reach the skylight in the kitchen as a means of escape in case of a fire. Nothing was done about it.

After being addressed by Mr. Macfadyen, the jury retired for a few minutes and returned the following verdict and riders:

"We find that the deceased Ip Kam died as a result of multiple burns sustained on the second floor of No. 277 Shanghai Street when the house caught fire. The cause of the fire is unknown, but it probably originated accidentally on the stairs between the first and ground floors.

"Rider 1: Some permanent and immovable form of fire escape, an iron ladder, should be provided to connect the ventilation hole with the top floor of such houses as are of similar construction to No. 277 Shanghai Street.

"Rider 2: Some form of fire escape, preferably an iron ladder or stairway, should be provided inside the house.

"Rider 3: The stairways already existing in this type of houses, which are of wood, should be replaced by stairs of some more or less non-inflammable material, and any partitions between the stairs and the rest of the house should be similarly replaced with non-inflammable material to give the same protection."

MATSHEDS DESTROYED

Hundred Squatters Lose
Homes in Fire

A fire which swept through about 30 squatters' matsheds at Tai Kok Tsui early yesterday afternoon, emphasised anew the danger which these crowded, flimsy erections constitute to the thickly-populated communities of which they are a part.

The alarm was raised about 1.30 p.m., but in half an hour, despite the combined work of the Shamshui Po Brigade and an engine crew from the Kowloon Fire Station, the blaze had wiped out an area approximately 100 feet by 30 feet. A few charred uprights and a jumble of blackened timbers were all that remained of the humble habitations of about 100 people.

So far as the police could ascertain, no-one was injured in the fire, but as the firemen poured water on the ruins a number of women stood about bewailing a loss which could be covered by about \$100, but which involved their entire possessions.

There are between 2,000 and 3,000 similar matsheds in the Tai Kok Tsui area, and in the same section are several timber yards, a coal yard, and the A.P.C. petrol depot. Yesterday's fire is believed to have started during cooking operations in one of the huts, and these tinder-like structures are ever subject to the same danger.

The risk to other premises lies in the fact that a high slab of burning roof matting may be lifted by only a moderate wind and carried to nearby properties. The spreading of such a fire would be beyond the control of an army of fire-fighters, it is declared. One solution suggested is the allotment of certain areas to squatters very much in the manner of refugee camps, so that they could not erect their sheds in built-up areas.

This would allow of better surveillance of the squatters themselves, and give the police power to prevent the throwing up of their matchwood clusters in undesirable positions, it is pointed out.

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A record load of outward mail, 700 kilos, was taken by the Imperial Airways planes Delta and Dardanus which hopped off from Kai Tak for Bangkok at dawn yesterday.

It is announced that the incoming mail, scheduled to arrive here today, has been delayed by a hold-up on the main European line.

It is expected the mail will be brought to Ventiane by night, and flown to Hongkong by noon on Thursday. If the mail is heavy enough, two planes will be used in the mid-week service.

Two planes bringing mail are scheduled to arrive here on Saturday afternoon.

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A daring hold-up of a bus by two men armed with a revolver occurred while the vehicle was travelling along the main road between Tin Long and Sheungshul about 7 p.m. yesterday.

About \$53 in money was taken from the conductor, Wong Chan.

The men stopped the bus near the entrance to Fanning Lodge, and just after they had boarded the vehicle, one produced a revolver and forced the driver to stop. The armed man then covered the passengers while his companion rifled the conductor's bag.

The robbers were said to be about 30 years of age. They appeared to be local people, as they spoke with a village accent.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 3.15 p.m. yesterday, says:

The improvement in the tone of the market continued throughout the day. Buyers advanced their offers in the smaller price issues, but Sellers' response was poor.

Buyers

Hongkong Bank \$1,200

Union Insurance \$407½

Douglases \$20

H.K. & S. Wharves \$117

Providents (Old) \$3.00

Providents (New) \$5.00

Raupe \$9.10

H. & S. Hotels \$655

H.K. Lands \$25

H.K. Tramways \$17.50

Star Ferries \$7½

China Lights (Old) \$10.00

China Lights (New) \$10.00

Sandakan Lights \$10½

Telephones (Old) \$2½

Cementa \$1½

Watsons \$7.10

Entertainments \$4½

Vibro Piling \$7

H.K. Govt. 4½ Loan 6½ pm.

H.K. Govt. 3½ Loan par

Sellers

H.K. Ropes \$4.03

Rates

Hongkong Bank \$1,400

Canton Insurance \$210

H. & S. Hotels \$6.55

H.K. Tramways \$17.50

H.K. Electric \$50

Sandakan Lights \$10½

Dairy Farm \$25

Antamok F. \$47

Atoks 20½

Banque Comsol 13.10

Demonstrations 28

K. K. 2

Paracale Gumaus 11

San Maurice 1.10

Savoie Comsol 19½

United Paracale 50

GERMAN CAUTIONED

Arrives Without Visa
On Passport

A German subject, Paul Stefan Locsmann, residing at the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, was summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday for entering the Colony without a valid passport.

Detective-Sergeant P. H. Loughlin said that Locsmann arrived in Hongkong on November 19, and immediately went to the Registration Office to register himself.

His passport contained no British visa, although Locsmann had since obtained one.

Locsmann said he had arrived from Hankow via Halphong, and was not aware of the new regulation that Austrians and Germans were required to have British visas before entering the Colony.

He was cautioned.

DUKE OF WINDSOR

May Remain in England,
Says Brother

Copenhagen, Dec. 6.
The Duke of Kent, who stopped here on his way to Oslo, answered: "Yes, I think so" when asked by reporters whether "the Duke of Windsor will return to and remain in England."—United Press.

QUEEN MAUD'S FUNERAL

Telegraphic information has been received by the Colonial Secretary's office from the Secretary of State for the Colonies that the funeral of Her late Majesty the Queen of Norway will take place on Thursday.

All flags on Government buildings and launches will be flown at half-mast from 8 a.m. to sunset on that day.

BISHOP SARGENT

Leaves for Foochow To
Take Up New Post

Rt. Rev. C. B. R. Sargent, former Headmaster of the Diocesan Boys' School, left yesterday by the Selsan for Foochow, where he will take up his appointment as Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Fukien.

Bishop Sargent, who is well known for his talks over Z.B.W. on classical music, and also on the field of sport, first came to the Colony in 1932, when he succeeded the Rev. W. T. Featherstone as Headmaster of the Diocesan Boys' School. In 1935 he was ordained Priest, and last week was consecrated Bishop. He was appointed to his new post by the Archbishop of Canterbury in June last.

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SHOWING TO-DAY

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NEXT CHANGE Loretta Young - Don Ameche
20th C. Fox Picture "LOVE UNDER FIRE"

"I'm Unique,"

-Says Sadie

Sadie from Saudi-Arabia was the star of the London Zoo recently. She is a baby dromedary. She is housed now with her mother in the Elephant House overlooking the canal.

Mother and father were presented to the Zoo by King Ibn Saud of Arabia on December 13, 1937; but father, alas! did not survive the rigours of the English climate very long.

A dromedary, or one-humped camel, carries its baby for eleven months and three weeks before it is actually born. This posthumous child is undoubtedly a genuine product of the far-off Arabian desert, although she must be counted as a British subject by birth.

Fatima, Sadie's mother, is a fine dark brown racing dromedary, with long legs well suited to swift movement across sandy plains.

At home in Arabia Fatima might have to go as much as sixty miles in a day with her rider. This would be about twice as far and as fast as the heavier brood of camel, who is built for slower movement but who can carry a very heavy cargo on its back.

Little Sadie has long legs, too—but very, very wobbly ones which bend precariously in all directions when she takes a few steps on them.

Her knees are simply enormous, like the knees of colts or growing boys. On the top of about three-foot length of leg there is about one-foot depth of body; also a graceful, curving neck and neat flat head.

She is an elegantly built baby in spite of this present difficulty with her legs. Her small frame is covered with an almost black curly coat. The coat is remarkably like the coat of an unclipped poodle puppy.

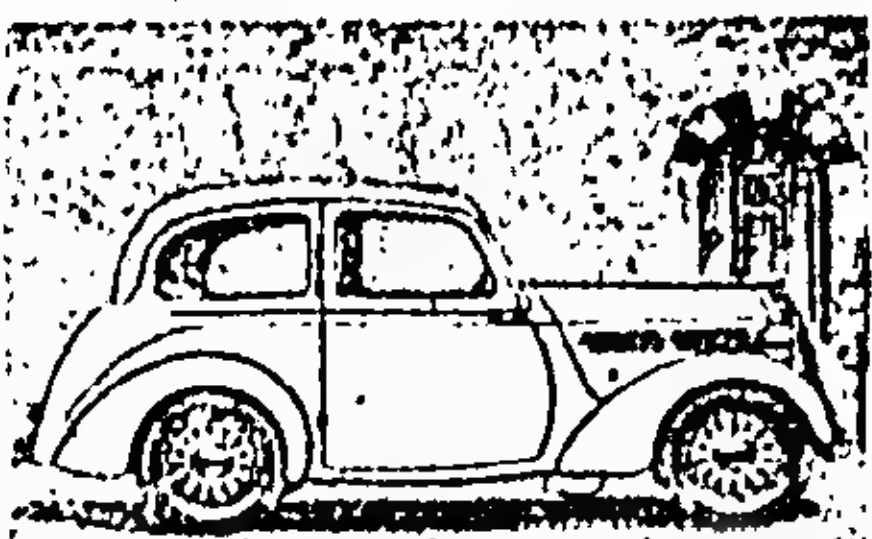
"Mother says she hasn't seen any other dark dromedary in England, and that I'm a unique baby," says Sadie. "I don't know what she means, but it sounds pretty fine, doesn't it?"

OFF TO INDIA

Mr. T. A. Mahtani, J.P., is leaving Hongkong for India on a short holiday by the P. & O. liner Canton on Saturday. He will be absent from the Colony for about 8 months.

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BIG BRITISH ARMADA GOING TO SINGAPORE New Pacific Squadron to Include

Britain May Soon Act In Far East

LAST NIGHT the House of Lords listened to a long debate on China, in which Hongkong's current position was freely mentioned.

Lord Elibank claimed that the principal reason for the Japanese occupation of Canton was to embarrass Hongkong's trade.

He urged denunciation of the Anglo-Japanese trade agreement, as reprisal for the obvious Japanese efforts to upset British trade in the Far East.

"I would close Hongkong to all Japanese ships and cargoes between Japan and South China, and thus effectively block Japanese trade with Canton," he declared.

Lord Plymouth, for the Government, admitted the unsatisfactory state of affairs in the Far East, and added that the British Government was contemplating a firm stand.

He revealed that Britain was standing four-square with France and the United States in whatever action would be adopted.

"The Government is prepared to consider all possible measures to safeguard British interests," he said.

Full Report on Page Five

Two Battleships

CONFIRMATION OF the exclusive prediction in a special article cabled to the Hongkong "Telegraph" yesterday by Mr. Hector C. Bywater, noted London Naval Correspondent, that a large Pacific Squadron would be created at Singapore was forthcoming from official sources last night.

During a defence debate in the Commonwealth House of Representatives at Canberra, the Australian Minister for Defence, Mr. A. G. Street, revealed that the British Government has already decided to create a new Pacific Squadron.

This squadron, which will include two battleships of the H.M.S. Nelson type, will be stationed at Singapore.

"The British Government has assured the Australian Government that this new fleet will be adequate for the purpose of defending the shores of Australia," the Minister declared amid cheers.

"Under these circumstances, the Australian Government has decided not to proceed with the purchase of one or two capital ships from the British Government.

"Our decision has been prompted by the assurance made to us by Great Britain, this assurance being forthcoming after enquiries had been instituted in London with a view to purchasing the capital ship as an addition to the Royal Australian Navy."

Money which was to have been spent by Australia on the purchase and maintenance of a battleship would, the Minister added, be diverted to other defence channels.

£200,000,000 DEFENCE VOTE

The Minister then climaxed his dramatic revelation by announcing that the Federal Cabinet had decided to vote the record sum of £200,000,000 for expansion of armaments between 1939 and 1941.

The sum, he pointed out, represented a per capita obligation of £10 for every man, woman and child in the Commonwealth.

Expenditure on the Australian Navy will be expanded to £20,000,000, which is easily a record.

It will provide for the construction at the Cockatoo Dockyards in Sydney of two destroyers of the Tribal class and twelve high-speed motor torpedo-boats.

Expenditure on the Army will be increased to £20,000,000, the highest in Australian peace-time history.

The Australian militia, which at present totals 35,000 men, is to be doubled.

In addition, the sum of £10,500,000 will be expended on the Royal Australian Air Force.

Provision is being made for an increase of the Australian Air Force to 18 squadrons, giving the Commonwealth a total of 212 first-line machines.

A base for naval aircraft will be constructed at Port Moresby, the capital of Papua.

It is significant that Port Moresby is in New Guinea less than an hour's flying-time from the former German mandated territory, and is also within striking distance of all Japanese South Sea Island possessions.

NEW SINGAPORE DOCK

Plans have been drawn up, in co-operation with the British Admiralty, for the construction of a second Singapore Dock at Sydney.

This proposed dock will be capable of docking the largest battleship afloat, and is planned as an adjunct to Singapore.

Finally, it is planned to expend the sum of approximately £5,000,000 on munition factories, as part of the British Empire's decentralisation scheme for the production of munitions.

Munitions manufactured in Australian factories will be used by the British forces in the Far East at Hongkong and Singapore.

Of the total of £200,000,000 to be raised within the next three years for defence, Australia will borrow only £10,000,000.

For this purpose a Defence Loan Bill is to be immediately introduced.

Trading Spurt On London Stock Exchange

London, Dec. 6.
Remarkable activity was witnessed during the first two hours of trading on the foreign exchanges to-day.

The market opened with a resumption of the overnight trend in which sterling and the franc were very firm in terms of dollars and other gold currencies.

The sterling-dollar rate was initially quoted at 4.6987 compared with 4.6956 last night, and appreciated to 4.70, at which level the British authorities came into the market and absorbed a considerable amount of dollars.

When the wave of dollar sales had subsided, the control withdrew whereupon sterling reacted to 4.69.

Well-informed circles attributed the volte face partly to a commercial demand for American currency, and partly to a covering demand from speculators who sold dollars heavily with the rate at 4.70 in the mistaken belief that the control would not hold the pound at this level.

Meanwhile the demand for the franc is still described as "tremendous", and the authorities in Paris are reported to have acquired large amounts of foreign exchange again to-day, one report mentioning the acquisition of nearly £2,000,000 in the space of ten minutes.

Despite rigorous official intervention spot franc appreciated to 177.55 yesterday, while francs for delivery in a month's time command a premium of six centimes over spot.

REUTERS.

NAZI FILM CUT IN SINGAPORE

Singapore, Dec. 7.
The Film censor has expurgated from the latest Paramount News-reel reference to Germany's anti-Jewish drive, and also an appeal on behalf of the Jews by Baron Rothschild.

BREAD FOR STARVING REFUGEES.—Trucks, each loaded with hundreds of loaves of bread, form a constant procession along the Tai Po Road from Kowloon as they take food to refugees in the various concentration camps in the New Territories.—Staff Photographer.

Dramatic Story of Last Flight of Condor

MANILA, Dec. 7.

THE CONDOR, pride of German civil aviation, lies in a hundred feet of water in Subic Bay, within sight of the Philippine Islands.

The story of her crash and the subsequent rescue of her crew is one of the epics of aviation in the Pacific.

"I WAS FORCED DOWN AT SEA"—See Page Six

It is interesting to note that the four Germans are the first airmen to be rescued from the clutches of the Pacific Ocean.

Brophy, flying from Hongkong to Manila, Charles Ullrich, flying from Canada to New Zealand, Amelia Earhart, flying from New Guinea to California, and Charles Kingsford-Smith, en route from England to Australia, were never seen again after they were lost in the vast expanse of ocean that borders three continents.

The Condor's last radio report to the Manila Air Port was sent at approximately 3.30 p.m.

After this routine report, which gave the plane's position, there was complete silence, despite continuous efforts by Manila to raise the Germans.

At 4 p.m. Mr. I. Sakowsky, the Japanese Consul General, was worriedly pacing in front of the airport office as American Air Force planes sent out to search for the missing Germans reported that there was no sign of the Condor.

Almost simultaneously with the dispatch of other search planes from Manila Captain Mark Lewis, in charge of the original search flight, flashed the following dramatic radio message.

"SHE IS SLOWLY SINKING"

"I have sighted the Condor. She is slowly sinking."

Dozens of Filipino fishing vessels were clustered around the sinking machine, and they took off the German crew.

Amphibian planes were despatched (Continued on Page 4.)

LATE NEWS

King Gives Xmas Trees For China Relief

LONDON, Dec. 6.

THE CHINA ASSOCIATION annual dinner was held to-night.

Mr. Dr. G. M. Bernard was in the chair, and the guests were Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Quo Taid-chi, Chinese Ambassador to London, Lord Alness, Sir John Wardlaw-Milne, Mr. Adrian C. Moreing, and Mr. W. M. Kirkpatrick.

The speeches were not reported at the request of Mr. Oliver Stanley. About 180 were present.

King George presented two Christmas trees to stand, one outside and one inside at St. Paul's Cathedral, the latter to be the centre for offerings for children in the poorer London parishes and for Chinese refugees.

The China Campaign Committee, holding a Christmas bazaar on December 9. Many beautiful Chinese silks, ivories, jades, etc., have been presented by Madame Sun Yat-sen, and Mr. T. V. Soong for the benefit of the International Peace Hospital, for which already £1,000 has been collected.

The British China Relief Fund, formerly the Lord Mayor's Fund, now tops the £100,000 mark, and a special Christmas appeal is being issued on its behalf.

REUTERS.

NEW PURGE IN SOVIET COMMANDS

Many Arrests At Far
East Stations

SHANGHAI, Dec. 6.

A LARGE-SCALE PURGE in the Soviet-Russian fleet stationed at Vladivostok and in the Amur River flotilla in Nogliki Sovjetzki harbour has recently been carried out, according to reports which reached here to-day.

The purge was directed, according to Soviet accounts, against "enemies of the people."

It is believed here that the action was taken in conjunction with the recent purge in the Russian youth movement, since numerous members of that movement have been arrested in the Far East.—Trans-Ocean.

It is reported that other fortifications are being constructed and coastal and air defence establishments placed in a state of war-readiness.—Trans-Ocean.

FRANCE INCREASES ESTIMATES

Paris, Dec. 6.

The Chamber of Deputies Finance Commission to-day examined the naval estimates for 1939, amounting to 6,175,000,000 francs, of which 4,500,000,000 are covered by the National Defence Fund.

The total represents an increase of 3,500,000,000 francs compared with 1938, as a result of the speeding-up of building programme, and the construction of coastal defence works and anti-aircraft defence.

At the same time it should be noted that 1,000,000,000 francs has been absorbed to cover the deficiency in the 1938 budget.

M. Pietri, former Minister of Marine, regretted the shortage of specialists and effective in the navy. He emphasised the necessity of a substantial increase in pay for officers and men, declaring that specialists were tempted from the navy to private and State-controlled industries, owing to higher wages.—Reuters Special.

S'hai's Cares

For Kwangtung

War Victims

Chungking, Dec. 6.

Following satisfactory arrangements, several thousand Kwangtung refugees in Shanghai, who were rendered homeless and destitute by the devastation of Hankow and Changchun after hostilities broke out in Shanghai, are now being taken care of by the Joint Committee of the Shanghai Charitable Organs, according to a message from Shanghai.

These refugees, it is learned, were formerly taken care of by the Kwangtung Guild at Shanghai, but were transferred to the care of the Joint Committee.

The number of Kwangtung refugees totalled 20,000 during the height of the Shanghai hostilities. Most of these people were subsequently sent back to their native places in Kwangtung.—Central News.

More Money
In Britain
For Christmas

London, Dec. 6.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer announced in the House of Commons that he had given directions at the request of the Bank of England, and under powers conferred on the Treasury by the Currency and Bank Notes Act of 1928, that as from December 8, the fiduciary issue, which was reduced from £200,000,000 to £200,000,000 by 1936, should be temporarily raised to £250,000,000 to meet seasonal demands.—British Wireless.

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COMPOSER'S LAST SONG PLAYED AT FUNERAL

Organist Locked Door To Practise It

Twenty-six people in mourning sat in the pews of Golders Green Crematorium, N.W., recently and heard the last great love song that Archie Emmett Adams had composed.

Emmett Adams, who wrote "The Bells of St. Mary's" and the war song, "God Send You Back To Me," composed the song when he was dying.

His sister arranged it because he was too weak and his hand wavered. Then he sealed the score and said it was not to be played in public until his funeral.

LIFE'S INSPIRATION IN THE MUSIC

It was Mr. Bell Chamber, the chapel organist, who gave the song its first expression. He had locked the doors when he practised the day before.

He said he felt proud. He knew that the song was the inspiration of a man's life in the music. Emmett Adams, whose melodies sold a million copies, said the song was the greatest of his life. He wanted to be remembered by it, and he put all his talent into the tune.

The organist had played "Abide With Me" below him was the coffin, laden with red roses and purple anemones. There was a minute's pause—then the rich, romantic tune floated down. The choir were silent. The song was typical of all Emmett Adams's love songs. He called it "Life's Great Sunset."

Adams who wrote so sensitively of love, was a bachelor.

He left careful instructions with his sister, Mrs. Edward Mahon, about his funeral. After the song there was to be the blessing, then his burial, and red roses on the coffin. He did not want too much weeping.

He knew he was dying. He staged his funeral deliberately.

WORKED MONTHS ON SONG

The song was his requiem, and he spent months working on it. It was arranged for the piano, and Emmett Adams was the only person who had played it through until the previous day's performance.

He hated jazz. He called it the "dregs and dourings" of music, and he hoped his last song would bring a revival of the old romantic love lyric.

Every one went away from the service saying it was one of the most beautiful pieces of music they had ever heard. Stage stars said it

Divorce Law: Beats Judge

In the Divorce Court recently Mr. Justice Langton said he had tried to grant a decree to a husband, but was unable to do so.

A dental surgeon, Mr. Eric Walter Marthews, of Bollingbroke-grove, Wandsworth, S.W., sought divorce on the ground that his wife, Mrs. Linda Marthews, had deserted him. Mr. Justice Langton said he would have had no difficulty in finding desertion proved were it not for the fact that Mr. Marthews filed a petition for separation in February, 1937.

'FOOLISH ADVICE'

At that time less than three years had elapsed since the date of the alleged desertion, and in January, 1938, Mr. Marthews withdrew this petition.

It became clear, continued Mr. Justice Langton, that in filing the original petition Mr. Marthews was the victim of some foolish advice on the part of a solicitor's managing clerk in the employ of a solicitor who was at that time, but was no longer, acting as a legal adviser to Mr. Marthews.

"I am, therefore, not ashamed to confess that I have aided and abetted Mr. R. J. A. Temple (counsel for Mr. Marthews) in his praiseworthy efforts to attempt to find a loophole."

He held that the case must fall because proceedings for a separation prevented a petitioner from pleading that the period of desertion was running while the suit was being maintained.

was going to be a real Adams success. Within three hours the score was being played in the trial room of a music publisher in Mortimer-street, W.

"Swell," said the pianist.

Guy Fawkes Thrills

251 London Fire Calls On Nov. 5

Nine people were injured and taken to hospital when an auxiliary fire service van on which were seven firemen crashed into a wall at the junction of Lavender-road and Greek-street, Battersea, on Guy Fawkes night.

To add to the irony of the accident, the call was a needless one merely to stamp out a little smouldering rubbish.

This was one of the major casualties of Guy Fawkes night. Over 640 square miles of Hertfordshire the flash of giant crackers, the whistle of rockets and the glow of bonfires heralded Britain's greatest A.R.P. black-out.

During the "black-out" 200 villages and towns fringing London were darkened for three hours. Main line trains travelled with drawn blinds and all types of road vehicles drove with dimmed lights.

Twelve thousand A.R.P. volunteers were on duty throughout the area. They included medical services, fire brigade personnel, decontamination and general utility squads and air raid wardens.

Overhead roared R.A.F. bombers.

DANCING CROWD

At Lewes a mile-long procession of men, women and children in fancy costumes danced through the streets to maintain the traditional bonfire night demonstrations. This year the dictators were burned in effigy.

Fifty people were arrested for discharging fireworks in the streets. Firemen were booed and pelted with fireworks by children in Finsbury Park when they arrived to extinguish bonfires in the roadway. As fast as one fire was put out smaller ones were started by the children.

While children were letting off fireworks at Lowestoft a rocket fell into the yard of German herring exporters setting fire to stacks fifty feet high of boxes prepared for shipment. Forty thousand were destroyed and the damage was estimated at £2,000.

Four undergraduates were arrested in the Cambridge firework rag last night. They turned out street lamps. Five hundred pounds damage was caused in a Southampton cycle shop when fireworks exploded there. But the busiest people of all were the L.C.C. fire brigade who, by 10.30 p.m. had answered 251 calls, compared with forty to fifty on a normal night.

Golfer Hit By Ball, Lost Eye

A golfer who alleged that he was struck in the eye by a ball played by another golfer on the Cliftonville course brought an action for damages in the Northern Ireland High Court recently.

The claim was made by Albert Potter, plumber, of Belfast, against Samuel Carlisle, junior, linen clerk, of Belfast. He alleged negligence against Carlisle, and against the Cliftonville Golf Club in the construction of the course.

Mr. E. S. Murphy, K.C., for Potter, said that Potter drove a ball which slightly overran the seventh green. He had just used his putter when he was struck in the left eye by a ball driven by Carlisle from the 8th tee, about 30 yards away.

"PULLED SHOT"

Potter, whose eye was removed in hospital, said he heard no warning shout.

Replying to Mr. Beattie, K.C., for the club, Potter said that he supposed the real reason for the accident was that Carlisle pulled his shot.

Sidney Fairweather, professional to the Marjorie Golf Club, Belfast, said that he would not drive off the eighth tee when a player was standing in the front part of the seventh green.

He added that no person was absolutely safe on a golf course.

The hearing was adjourned.

Fate Ironical Luck Kind

Ray Grant believes in the irony of fate. It was his fate to be driving to a safety meeting when another car came crashing into his machine. However, he escaped injury and immediately speeded up for the safety meeting.



Mass hysteria swept America during a broadcast of H. G. Wells' fantasy, "The War of Worlds," and led thousands to believe that widespread death had visited New York and New Jersey. Innumerable telephone calls were made. Above is Orson Welles who made the broadcast, as "The Shadow," left, and as he is in real life.

Mended Broken Marriages, Blamed Films

"PEACEMAKER" DIES

Mender of Brighton's broken marriages, Mr. Ben-jamin James Saunders, nicknamed "The Peacemaker," died at his home in Springfield Road, Brighton, recently, aged 82.

For 24 years he had been a magistrate, and in that time scores of couples who came before him for separation orders left the court arm-in-arm—thanks to his sound advice. He could speak with authority. Until his wife died a few years ago, they had for more than half a century been the ideal married couple.

Mr. Saunders thought that films were the cause of a great deal of unhappiness in marriage.

"They give women wrong ideas about life," he continued. "Many working-class wives are upset and discontented by what they see on the films and apply for a separation merely because they are fed up with their husbands and homes."

"Husbands have their faults, just the same as wives. A man should not think of her as his slave. He should always treat her as his sweetheart."

On another occasion, he declared: "Husbands want comfort first; too many wives want pleasure first."

"Take an adjournment for a month" was his advice when husband and wife were glaring at each other from opposite sides of the court. "You don't want all your private affairs discussed here. It will only make matters worse."

Then Mr. Saunders would get to work behind the scenes and out of court hours. Often husband and wife would call round at his house to talk it over, or Mr. Saunders would go round to find out how things were going.

TRIBUTES FOR THE POOR

Official Brighton attended the funeral service at the Parish Church, where he had been a warden for many years.

Into the church also went poor and unknown people. They were people he had helped, some of those he had saved from prison or had been forced to sentence and afterwards assisted. There were now happy couples to pay a last tribute to his patience and understanding.

Help for deserving cases before him was always forthcoming—but it was always anonymous. He gave away hundreds of pounds.

Mr. Saunders wanted to die working. He once said: "I shall be quite happy if I go suddenly one morning when the usher says 'That's all the business of the Court.'"

Prison For Woman Motorist

A woman motorist was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment by the Marylebone magistrate recently and her licence was suspended for two years.

She was Mrs. Violet Marie O'Connor (42), a naval commander's widow, living at Winding Wood, Tilford, Surrey. It was alleged that she was under the influence of drink while in charge of a car.

In January, 1937, it was said she was fined £5 with costs for a similar offence and on that occasion her licence was suspended for 12 months.

INEFFICIENT BRAKES

Mr. E. A. Carss (prosecuting) said Mrs. O'Connor drove into the rear of a stationary taxicab. She said to the cab driver: "I am sorry; my damn brakes are no use."

That proved to be true; the cable was slack and the brakes were hopelessly inefficient.

Mrs. O'Connor said she had two sheriffs with friends, but was quite sober. Everything was all right until her brakes suddenly failed as she was pulling up behind the taxicab. The collision caused shock and she was terrified while she was being examined by the police doctor.

The magistrate said it was a painful case, but there was only one course in view of the previous conviction.

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- F079 (Yours and Mine. F.T.
- F080 (Your Broadway & My Broadway. Q.S.
- F081 (Shall We Dance. F.T.
- F082 (Slap That Bass. F.T.
- F083 (Let's Call the Whole Thing Off. F.T.
- F084 (They Can't Take That Away From Me. F.T.
- F085 HARRY ROY'S ORCHESTRA.
- F086 (Swing High, Swing Low. F.T.
- F087 (Big Boy Blue. F.T.
- F088 (Alexander's Ragtime Band. F.T.
- F089 (I Can't Give You Anything But Love. F.T.
- F090 (I Got Rhythm. F.T.
- F091 (After You've Gone. F.T.
- F092 (Cuban Pete. Rumba.
- F093 (Beale Street Blues.
- F2530 JOE DANIELS & HIS HOTSHOTS IN DRUMNASTICKS.
- R2531 (Escapade.
- R2532 (Tarentula.
- R2533 (Creole Love Call.
- R2473 (Dinner and Dance.
- R2474 (Dina.
- R2475 (If I Had You.
- F301 EDDIE CARROLL & HIS SWINGPHONIC ORCHESTRA.
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The success of this amazing discovery, called Dr. Nixson's Vi-Tabs has been so great in America that it is now being distributed by all chemists here under a guarantee of complete satisfaction or money back. In other words, Dr. Nixson's Vi-Tabs must make you feel full of vigour and energy and return the empty package and get your money back. A special, double money-back guarantee is given to you, if your chemist can't supply you with Vi-Tabs, or if you don't like them, return them to Muller & Phillips (China), Ltd., 20, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

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Forty Years She Can End Alone With A War With Cannibals

Tribal war is about to break out in the Australian bush far away from any white settlement. . . . Two groups of naked cannibals, shouting and gesticulating, face each other, their spears poised, ready to plunge them into each other's shining black bodies. . . .

GEORGE V SAID HE'D ABDICATE

King George V once declared he would abdicate rather than sit through "Fanny's" second time. Queen Mary's father, the Duke of Teck, washed himself from head to foot on the eve of battle in Egypt so that if he were killed his body would be found "quite clean."

The thirteenth Earl and Countess of Strathmore, grandparents of the present Queen, provided their women guests with nightcaps.

These are among the anecdotes collected from his celebrities' gallery and told for the first time by Sir George Arthur in his memoirs, published recently (Longmans, Green and Company, 12s. 6d.), under the modest title, "Not Worth Reading."

Friend and confidant of Royalty and famous personalities for more than half a century, Sir George unveils the secrets of a day's doings with piquant intimacies of Edwardian and Victorian society.

Among his pictures of this glittering period is that of Queen Mary as a young girl whose "sweet voice" won her admiration at her parents' drawing-room parties and soirées.

THE BRAYPIPER
A different figure in the eighties, however, was the brilliant Comtesse de Paris, who entertained at Sheen, and "proved herself at Sandringham to be a crack shot, bringing down birds, right and left with perfect nonchalance, and generally with a cigar in her mouth."

One guest at a State Ball at the Palace about the same time, he recalls, was credited with the remarkable sotto voce, "that the music of the bagpipes suggested the precise noise a donkey would make if it suddenly fell into hell."

Referring to the sombre household of Queen Victoria after the Prince Consort's death, Sir George reveals that a budding statesman of the day made it a condition of his accepting office that he should never be called upon to act as Minister-in-Attendance in the Highlands.

Lord Kitchener made Sir George, his old friend and colleague, his personal secretary on his appointment as War Minister; and he tells of the famous soldier's comment when the pen which he was handed to write his first official signature failed to function: "Dear me, what a War Office—not a scrap of army and no pen that will write!"

The War Minister's comment on Mr. Lloyd George was: "The little Welshman is peppery, but he means to win the war which is what matters."

Divorce and £2,000 For Husband

Damages of £2,000 were awarded in the Divorce Court recently to Mr. Reginald Ellis, Vesper Road, Kirkstall, Leeds, on the ground of the adultery of his wife, Agnes Lillian Josephine (nee Stringer), with Mr. Tom Woodcock, cited as co-respondent.

The suit was defended and Mr. Ellis cross-petitioned for divorce, alleging cruelty. Mr. Ellis contested this charge.

Adultery was alleged at Mr. and Mrs. Ellis' home and in a motor-car. Mrs. Ellis and Mr. Woodcock, in the witness-box, denied that they had committed adultery.

LIGHTLESS CAR
Mr. Justice Langton, summing-up, said Mr. Ellis and an inquiry agent had said that they found Mrs. Ellis and Mr. Woodcock in a motor-car in an unfrequented lane. The car's lights were out.

The case for Mrs. Ellis and Mr. Woodcock was that they knew they were being followed, and sat in the car, smoking cigarettes, until Mr. Ellis and the agent arrived.

Mrs. Ellis alleged that her husband was a man of uncontrollable temper, domineering and dominating, who tried to make her a "door-mat." The jury had seen Mr. Ellis in the box. Did they see the slightest sign of uncontrollable temper?

Mr. Ellis had said he was perfectly happy with his wife until financial troubles came along. She did not meet them very well, but continued her association with people who had rather more money than he had. Mr. Ellis was granted a decree nisi, with costs against Mr. Woodcock, who was ordered to pay the £2,000 into court within 28 days.

Suddenly an incredible figure emerges from a tent pitched nearby. It is a white woman, a little old lady dressed in the fashion of forty years ago, with a toque hat, a blouse with a stiff white stand-up collar and tie, and a long skirt.

The woman pushes her way fearlessly among the savages and speaks to them quietly in their own language.

"All you grandsons bring your spears to me," she says.

It is as if she had reprimanded a meeting of little Sunday school children.

The savages come up one by one and give her their spears and the little Victorian old lady arranges them in neat piles.

This incident is true. The lonely little white woman who did it is one of the most astonishing women in the British Empire.

HER RECORD
Her name is Daisy Bates and any one who sees her would think she belonged to some whitened fire-side with china dogs in a genteel seaside resort.

The reality is that she has spent forty years of her life from thirty-six to seventy-six, alone in the Australian bush among the maturing savages, for whom she has sacrificed everything.

We should never have known of it if Mrs. Bates had not decided, before she died, to retire to write her simple record.

It is called "The Passing of the Aborigines" (John Murray, 10s. 6d.), and it is a book that thousands will soon want to read.

Daisy Bates went to Australia in 1899. She saw that the aborigines were losing their hunting grounds and breaking up their old tribes.

She saw that they were Stone Age men who could never catch up with civilisation.

FORSAKE ALL
The only way she saw of helping them practically was to give up everything and go to the wilds to live with them in all their nakedness and cannibalism, and minister to them there.

So she did it. By a miracle she was not eaten in the first few years. She lived in a tent. She prepared food from towns to replace the tribes' exterminated game, so that her cannibals should not starve.

She tolerated cannibalism without revulsion until her influence was great enough to stop it.

She cooked for the cannibals and doctored them with her simple medicines. Never showing disgust, even when a mother ate her baby, she gained their confidence.

THEY LOVED HER
As she travelled from tribe to tribe learning gradually their 93 dialects, the cannibals began to love her. True, they thought her strange. The naked women roared with

laughter as she laced on her Victorian corsets.

But wherever she camped remnants of tribes would follow to be with her.

Smoke signals would send news of her presence right across that great continent, and a family of savages would travel 1,000 miles to be with her.

She received the honourable title of Kabbarril—grandmother. She was credited with magic powers. The men taught her their secret rituals which it was death to their own women to see.

And when the cannibals came in contact with the white man and needed clothes, it was she who slipped the first dress over the women's heads and she who buttoned the men into their first trousers.

CUT WOOD
They had been deserted by their own kin because of their helplessness. Mrs. Bates made herself their handmaiden, creating a little haven where she gave her whole life to them.

Each day she rose and hunted rabbits and lizards for them. Then she cut wood for their fires and guarded them from setting themselves alight.

Later she would cook for them and afterwards filled and lit their pipes.

No task was too lowly for her to perform. The most awesome of the three was an old man who had eaten his three baby sisters and many another. He was mad.

Often he would fly to her tent in some night terror. She would lead him gently back, wrap him in his blanket, stroke up his fire. Then she would warm him with a drink of tea and a pipe of tobacco and talk him to sleep.

A few days before his death he ran away. She searched for him for five hours and found him naked and exhausted in a clump of bushes.

She hoisted the old savage on her back, this elderly Victorian lady, and gently trudged on until she brought him back to his bed.

Ex-Slave Marks 98th Year
Mount Salem, Ont.
Mrs. Amanda Graves, daughter of a slave who escaped from the United States into Canada by the famous "Underground Railway," has celebrated her 98th birthday here.

53 HOURS GAVE ROGER THE RIGHT TO CALL BRIAN "JUNIOR"

Two days after giving birth to a son, Mrs. J. O. J. Stevens, wife of a Farnham (Surrey) solicitor, has had a twin boy. Roger (Glb. 5oz.) was born at 4 p.m.; Brian (Glb. 11oz.) at 9 p.m. two days later, so that the difference in their ages is 53 hours.

Even stranger cases of twins born apart are on record. . . .

A London surgeon said that he was present two years ago at the birth of a twin three months after the birth of the first. "That was the longest case in my knowledge."

Four years ago a woman gave birth to a child on the Isle of Skarpu. Two days later, after being rushed by boat to Stornoway, 48 miles away, a second child was born.

Twins have been born 120 miles apart in Australia.

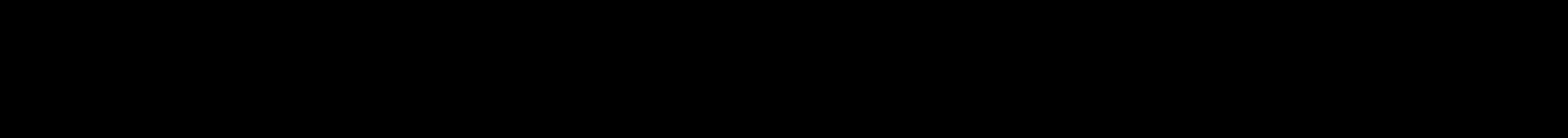
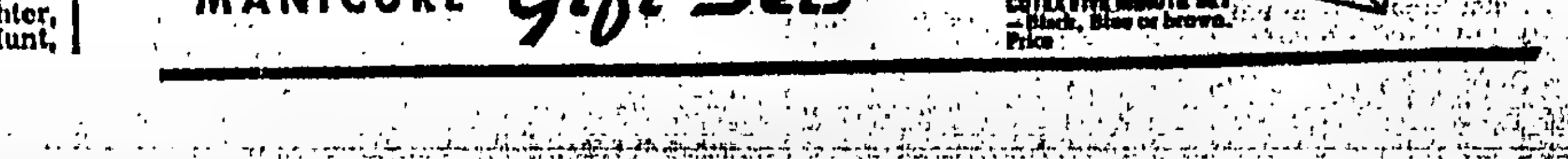
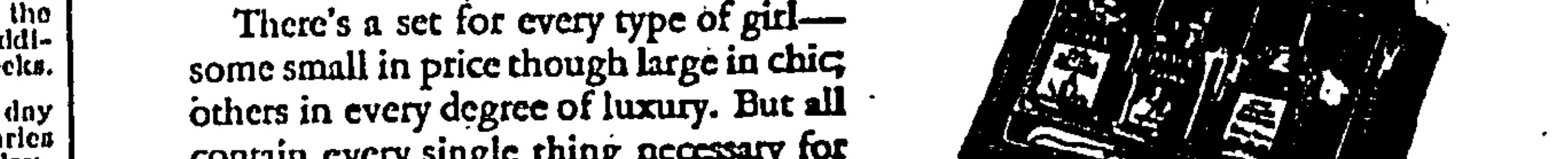
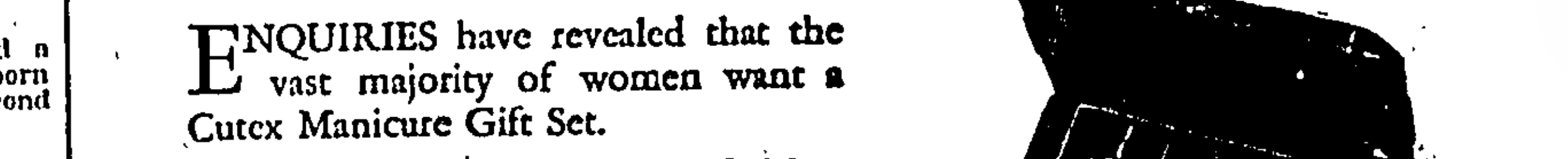
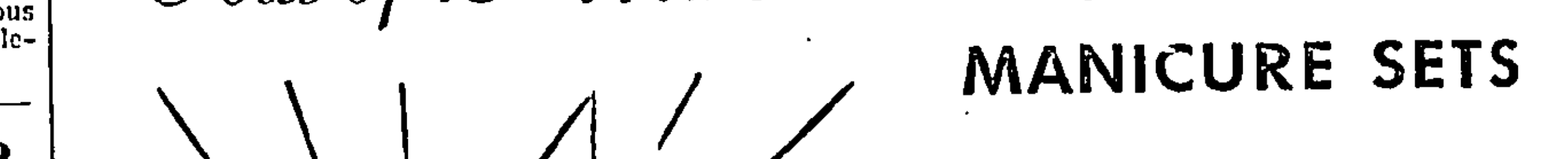
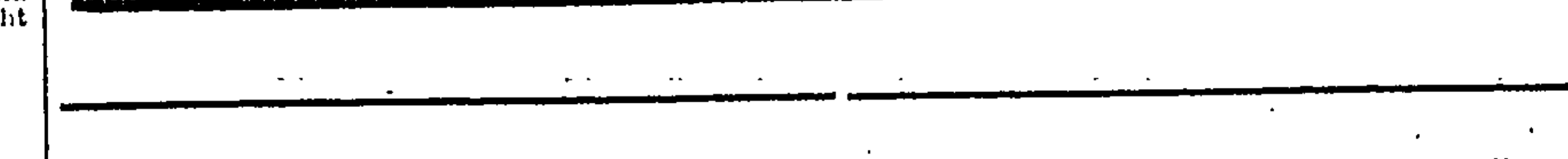
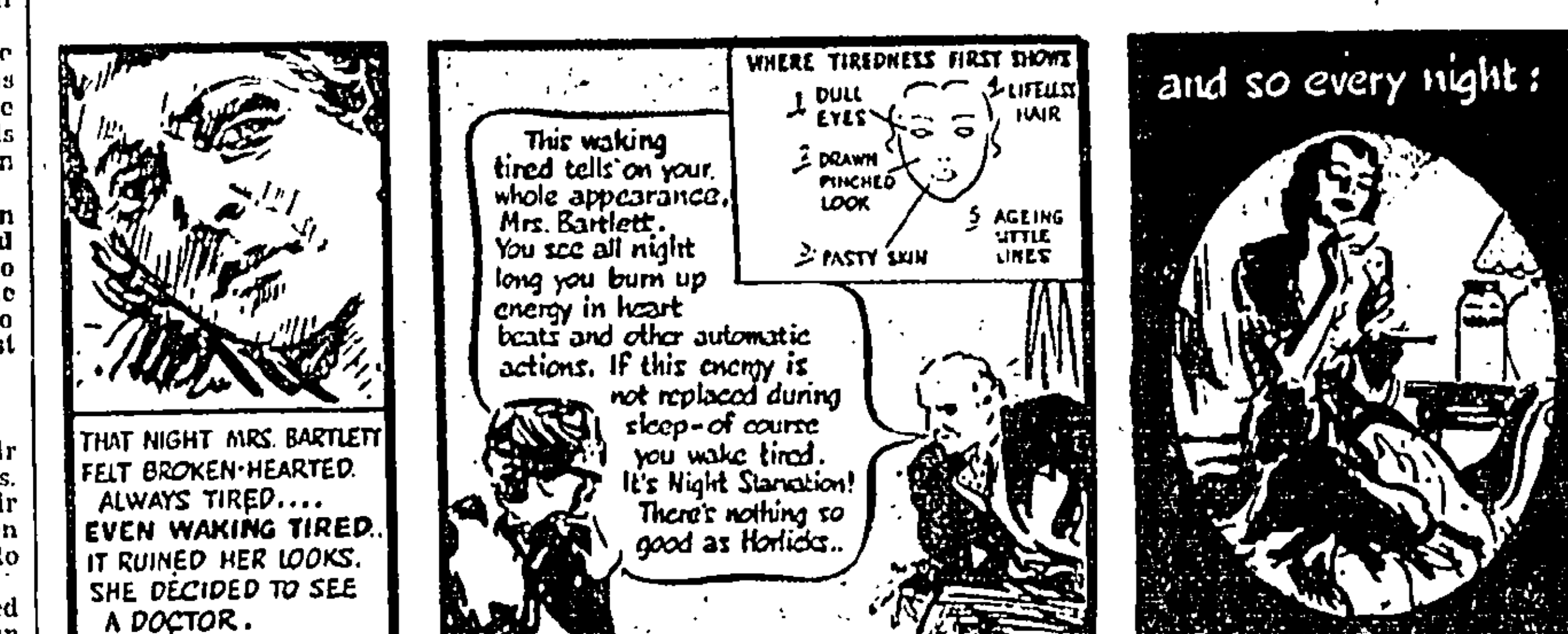
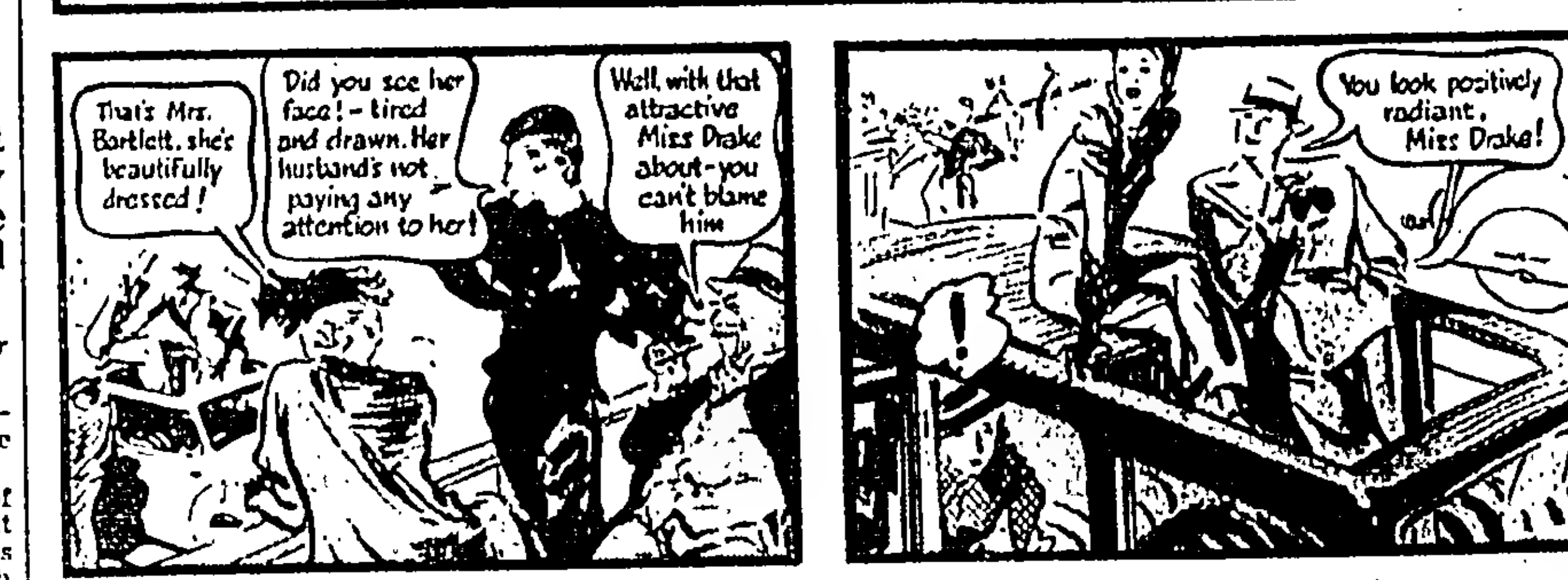
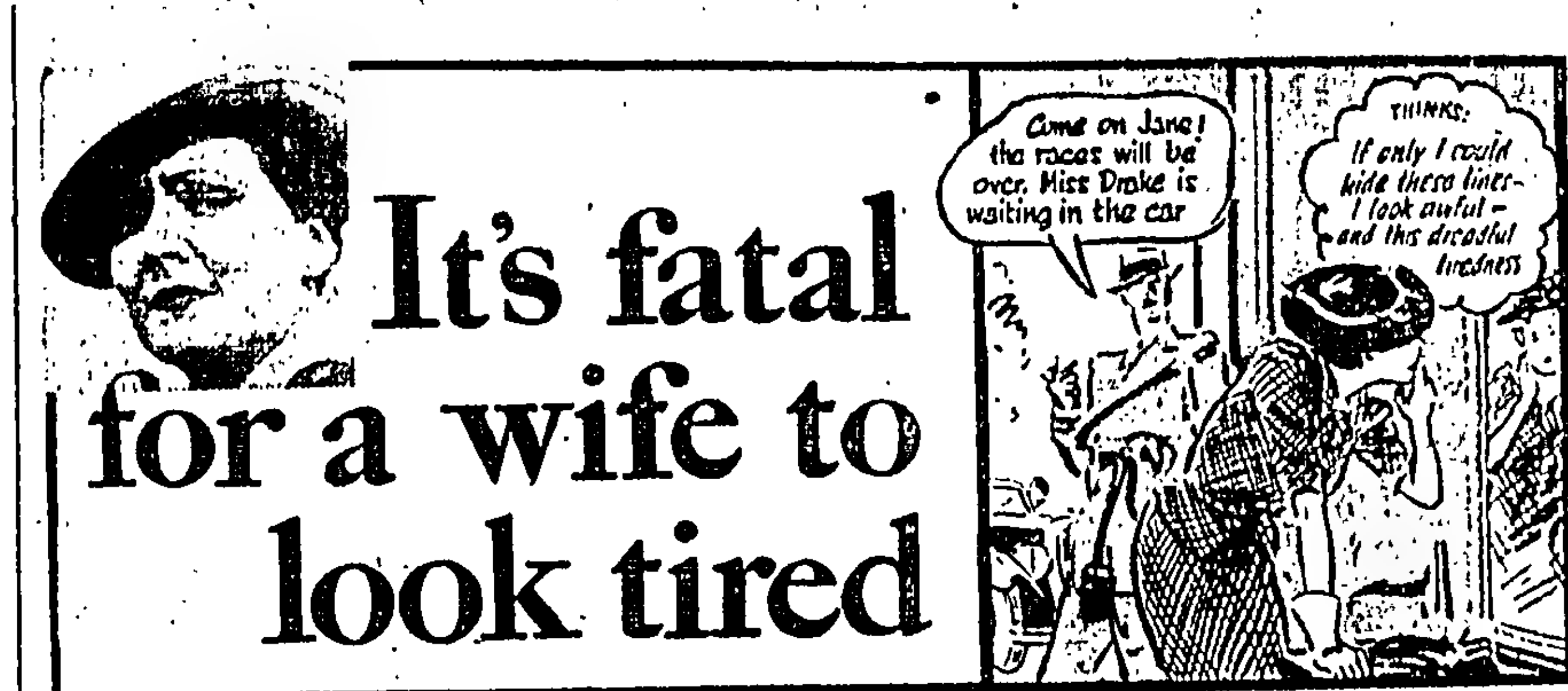
A mother who lived in New Herrington (Durham) was taken to Newcastle to give birth to a second "twin."

University College Hospital had a case two years ago of twins born four days apart, but the second child died a few days later.

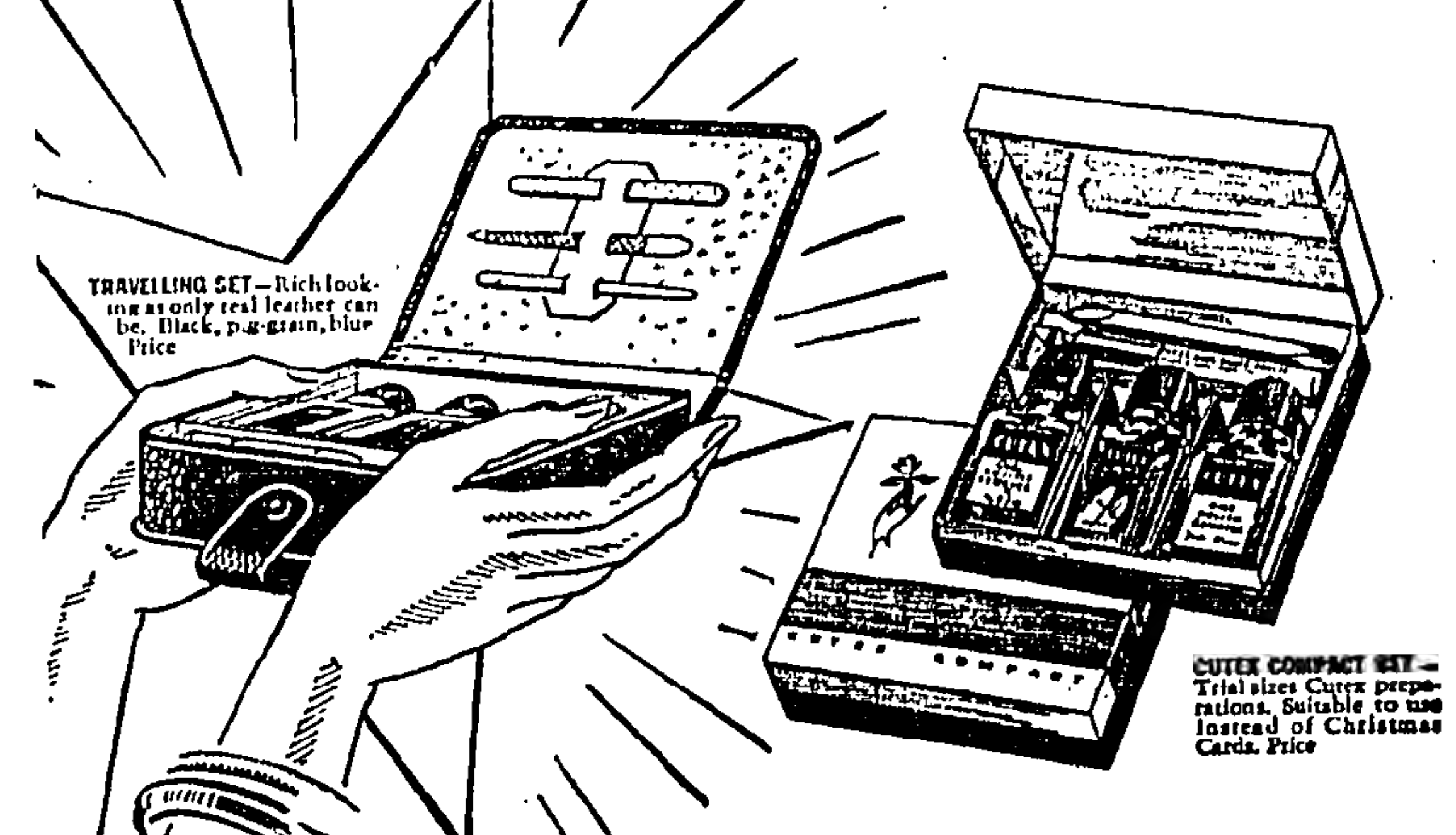
Seventy years ago a family in the British peerage received two additions with an interval of 16 weeks.

Last August twins were born a day apart to Mrs. Eric Humphries (Miss Sally Carson, the playwright).

The usual period between the birth of twins is from 30 minutes to 24 hours.



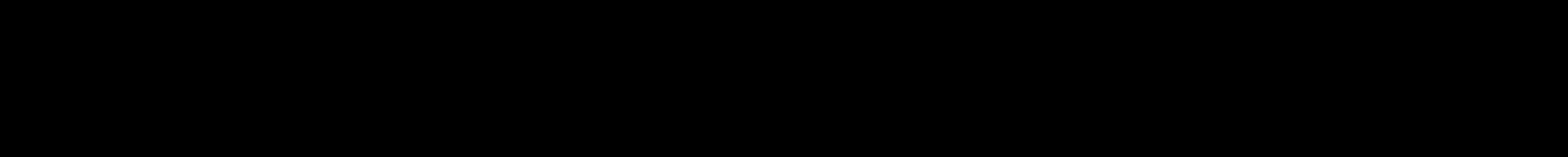
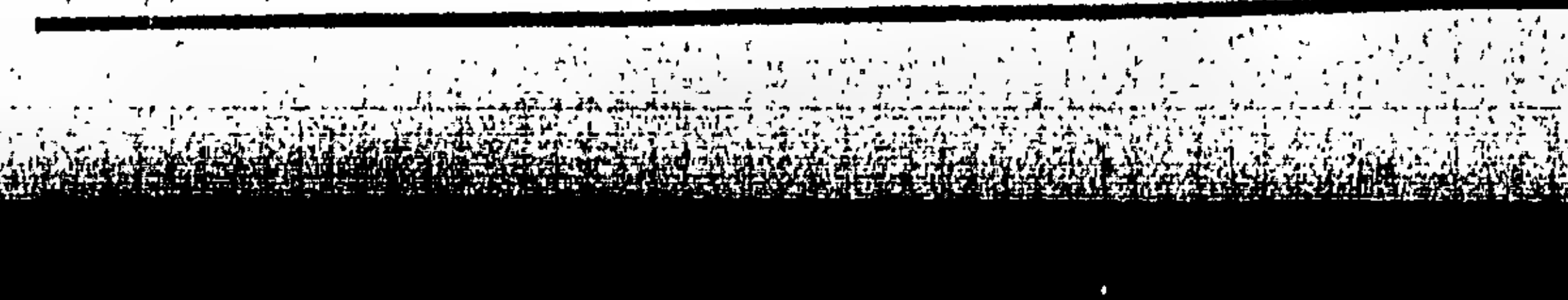
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manicure. Prices moderate. And-
re's Beauty Parlour, Gloucester
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ment with bath, verandah, convenient
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ful negligee from Shanghai, porce-
lains from Kiangsu, old ivory from
Peking, Tibetan and Mongolian Rugs,
lamps and rhinoceros.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local
share quotations issued this morning.

Banks
H.K. Bank, \$1400 n.
H.K. Bank (Low Reg.), 283 n.
Chartered Bank, £204 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B., £27½ n.
Mercantile Bank, C. £13 n.
East Asia Bank, \$88 n.

Insurance
Canton Ins., \$210 n.
Union Ins., \$497½ n.
China Underwriters, 75 cts. n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$190 n.

Shipping
Douglas, \$60 n.
H.K. Steamships, \$18 n.
Indo-China (Pref.), \$90 n.
Indo-China (Def.), \$90 n.
Shell Bunkers, \$/- 81/10½ n.
Union Waterboats, \$0 n.

Docks Etc.
H.K. & K. Wharves, \$117 n.
H.K. Docks (old), \$18½ n.
H.K. Docks (new), \$17½ n.
Providents (old), \$5.80 n.
Providents (new), \$5.60 n.
New Engineering Sh., \$4.80 n.
Shanghai Dock, \$100 n.
Kallian Mining Adm., \$/- 10/6 n.
Rauha, \$9.10 n.
Venz Goldfield, \$3 n.
Hongkong Mines, cts. n.

Philippine Mining
Antamok, P. 47 sa.
Aluko, P. 20½ sa.
Baguio Gold P., 25½ sa.
Benguet Consol., P. 13.10 sa.
Coco Grove, P. 50 sa.
Consolidated Mines, P. —
Demonstrations, P. 28 sa.
I.K.L., P. 80 sa.
Paracale Gumaus, P. 12 sa.
San Mauricio, P. 1.00 sa.
Suyoc Consol., P. 10½ sa.
United Paracale, P. 50 sa.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$6.05 sa.
H.K. Lands, \$35 n.
H.K. Lands 4% deb. 107½ n.
Shanghai Land, \$9.30 n.
Humphreys, \$8½ n.
H.K. Realities, \$5½ n.
Chinese Estates, \$0 n.

Public Utilities
H.K. Tramways, \$17.10/20 sa.
Peak Trams (old), \$6½ n.
Peak Trams (new), \$3½ n.
Star Ferries, \$7½ n.
Yau-mat Ferries (old), \$23 n.
Yau-mat Ferries (new), \$22½ n.
China Light (old), \$10.90 n.
China Light (new), \$10.60 n.
H.K. Electric, \$58 n.
Macao Electric, \$17½ n.
Sandakan Lights, \$10½ n.
Telephone (old), \$23.50 b.
Telephone (new), \$6.00 n.
Singapore Trams, \$/- 21/3 n.
Singapore Pref., \$/- 25/- n.

Industrial
Cald: Macg. (Conf.), Sh. \$14 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$13 n.
Canton Ices, \$17.00 n.
Cements, \$16½ n.
H.K. Ropes, \$4.65 s.
Stores, &c.
Dairy Farms, \$25 n.
Watsons, \$7.10 n.
Lane Crawford, \$8½ n.
Sinceres, \$2 n.
Wing On (H.K.), \$36 n.
William Powell, Ltd., 90 cts. n.

Cotton Mills
Ewo Cotton Sh. \$16½ n.
Shal. Cotton Sh. \$108 n.
Zong Sing Sh. \$40 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$40 n.

Miscellaneous
H.K. Entertainments, \$8½ b.
Constructions, \$1½ n.
Vibro Piling, \$7 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 GS Bonds,
71½ n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 6% prm. b.
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan par b.
Marsmans (Lon.), \$/- 10/6 n.
Marsmans (H.K.), \$/- 3/- n.

EXCHANGE

Selling
T.T. London 1s. 2½
Demand 1s. 2½
T.T. Shanghai 175/20
T.T. Singapore 53½
T.T. Japan 106½
T.T. India 83
T.T. U.S.A. 20½
T.T. Manila 58½
T.T. Batavia 149½
T.T. Bangkok 109½
T.T. Saigon 109½
T.T. France 10.05
T.T. Germany 72½
T.T. Switzerland 128
T.T. Australia 1/6½

Buying
4 m/s L/c London 1/3½
4 m/s D/p do 1/3.5/32
4 m/s L/c U.S.A.295
4 m/s France 11.50
30 d/s India 84½
U.S. Cross rate in London 4.60½

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS
EXCURSION

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SOCIETY

NOTICE is hereby given that
the Annual Meeting of the above
Society will be held at the Board
Room of Messrs. Jardine, Math-
eson & Co., Ltd. (by kind permis-
sion) on Monday, the 19th Decem-
ber, 1938, at 5.15 p.m.

The Annual Show of Flowers
and Vegetables will take place on
Tuesday, the 7th, and Wednesday,
the 8th, March, 1939.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1938.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF
CHILDREN.

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who
has been assaulted, neglected, or
ill-treated in a manner likely to
cause unnecessary suffering or injury
to health, or knowing of a parent
who is seeking advice on any matter
concerning a child, would be doing
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The Old City Hall, Queen's Road C.,
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Pokfulam Road, 1st floor; or the
Inspector, Violet Peel Health Centre,
Wanchai; or the Inspector, 12, Sai
Young Choi Street, 1st floor, Kow-
loon.

All further steps will be taken, and
expenses borne, by the Society.
The informant's name will be
kept strictly private, except in cases
where justice is proved.

QUEEN'S TEA
WITH AILING
INFANTS

In the Peter Pan Ward of London's
Hospital for Sick Children, Great
Ormond Street, the Queen had tea
recently at a nursery table with
five children.

Two five-year-olds, Alfred
and Bobby, sat on either side of the Queen
and assured her that they were en-
joying their tea.

"Look, Queen," exclaimed three-
year-old Kenneth, holding out a
sticky chocolate biscuit.

The Princess Royal, who is Presi-
dent of the hospital, where she was
trained as a nurse, received the King
and Queen and led them into the
wards of the new seven-storey build-
ing.

Among the nurses they saw the
daughter of the Emperor of Ethiopia.
The King unveiled a tablet to the
memory of Dr. Charles West, who
started the hospital in 1852.

EXCHANGE

Selling
T.T. London 1s. 2½
Demand 1s. 2½
T.T. Shanghai 175/20
T.T. Singapore 53½
T.T. Japan 106½
T.T. India 83
T.T. U.S.A. 20½
T.T. Manila 58½
T.T. Batavia 149½
T.T. Bangkok 109½
T.T. Saigon 109½
T.T. France 10.05
T.T. Germany 72½
T.T. Switzerland 128
T.T. Australia 1/6½

Buying
4 m/s L/c London 1/3½
4 m/s D/p do 1/3.5/32
4 m/s L/c U.S.A.295
4 m/s France 11.50
30 d/s India 84½
U.S. Cross rate in London 4.60½

MANILA SHARES

The following quotations were re-
ceived after the close of the morning
session through Reuters:

Antamok 47
Atok 25½
Baguio Gold 25½
Benguet Cons. 13.10
Coco Grove 50
Consolidated Mines 100
Demonstration 20
I.K.L. 80
Paracale Gumaus 12
San Mauricio 1.00
Suyoc 10½
United Paracale 50

The following is Swan, Culbertson
& Fritz' report on this morning's
market:

The Manila market held a quiet
session with Antamok showing the
only gain, 3 points. The other
stocks were unchanged with the
exception of Baguio Gold which was
down ½ point, and I.K.L. and United
Paracale which were down 1 point.
Also, United Paracale went ex-
dividend.

BRITAIN MAY ADOPT
FIRM ATTITUDE

(Continued from Page 5.)

made in Tokyo regarding the forma-
tion of an economic and political bloc,
comprising Japan, Manchukuo and
China, in which Japan was the pre-
dominant partner.

"I wish to say categorically that
the British Government cannot possi-
bly subscribe to this attitude, and
I would like to clarify the position.
This is governed by the Washing-
ton Treaty and other international
agreements to which the British
Government, in conjunction with a
large number of other governments,
are parties.

"Particularly would I like to recall
that the parties to the Nine-
Power Treaty bound themselves in
respect to the sovereignty, indepen-
dence, and territorial and adminis-
trative integrity of China, to provide
the fullest opportunity for China to
develop a stable Government, to
maintain the open-door, and to re-
frain from taking advantage of con-
ditions in China to obtain special
rights and privileges, infringing
the rights of subjects of the respec-
tive States.

"The British Government could not
consider any alteration brought about
by unilateral action.

"Our stand is the same as that of
the United States, laid down in a
statement to the press of November 4.

"This statement will serve equally
to define the attitude of the British
Government.

"I do not think it necessary to
emphasize the consequences which
would result from a Japanese exclu-
sive policy.

"The Japanese Government must
realize that the policy will inevitably
have incalculable repercussions in
other parts of the world the conse-
quences of which it is impossible to
foresee.

"Therefore we trust they agree
that the interests of both govern-
ments lie in other directions.

"I fully admit that the situation is
unsatisfactory, and it is for reasons only
too present in the minds of your
lordships.

CREDITS TO CHINA

"None of Lord Ellbank's proposals
has escaped the British Govern-
ment's attention.

"A number of proposals are now
under consideration for assisting
China in connection with export
credits, and the British Government
will sympathetically examine this
and other requests by the Chinese
Government.

MORE HARM THAN GOOD

"Unless there is some guarantee
that action taken as suggested by
Lord Ellbank is effective it would
do more harm than good.

"The British Government will con-
tinue to treat the protection of British
interests as one of the cardinal points
of policy in the Far East.

"I consider this end can best
be achieved by an early equitable
settlement of the Sino-Japanese con-
flict, just to both, and taking ac-
count of the interests of third parties.

"The British Government has in-
dicated to China and Japan that it
is willing to use its good offices, and
will not hesitate to take all necessary
steps as soon as the moment appears
appropriate. I must admit, how-
ever, that no present indications of
that moment are close at hand."

Lord Strabolgi said that Lord
Plymouth had made the most im-
portant statement they had heard from
the Government bench for some
years, adding: "It looks as if the
National Government worm has at
last turned" (laughter).

If the grant of export credits to
China were done on a sufficiently
generous scale, it would really take
the form of a commercial loan to
China.

Lord Plymouth, intervening said:
"I did not quite say that. What I
said was that we are examining cer-
tain proposals with regard to export
credits, and are prepared sympathet-
ically to consider those, and any
others, with that object in view."

Lord Strabolgi continued to say
that export credits granted on a long-
term agreement would enable the
Chinese to import from Britain and
make up some of the falling-off
of exports from Britain. "I would ask
Lord Plymouth if we are simultane-
ously examining the question of
discouraging the supply of credits to
Japan."

"I am not suggesting a Govern-
ment boycott, but there are ways
and means open to the Government
to bring pressure on those who are
supplying Japan with credits and
war materials to desist from doing
so."

"I fail to understand why, if we
collaborate with France and the
United States, the other signatories
to the Nine-Power Treaty are not
called in for collaboration."

Lord Strabolgi said that at the
time of the Nine-Power Treaty,
Germany and Russia were off the
diplomatic map.

He suggested a new Washington
Conference was due, with the
original signatories, plus Germany
and Russia.

Referring to Munich, he said that
Germany had received many great
benefits, and it was now our turn to
ask for something in exchange.

"The policy of appeasement should
be a two-way policy. The appease-
ment we most value is anything that
will help our trade. We are a trad-
ing nation, and so is Germany. In
China, our interests as merchants
were absolutely identical.

"The Anti-Comintern Pact the
Rome-Berlin-Tokyo triangle, and
other similar fantasies will pass, he
said.

"What will remain are mutual in-
terests as trading nations.

"Those interests are threatened.
Isn't the time ripe to ask Germany

Naval Arsenal
Site In H.K.Question In
Commons

London, Dec. 6.
"Is it intended to re-purchase the
Naval Arsenal site sold to the Hong-
kong Government last year?" asked
Lieut. Commr. Fletcher in the
House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Shakespeare, for the Govern-
ment, replied that the site of the old
Arsenal-yard in Hongkong, which
was vacated on terms agreed with the
local Government, was never the
property of the Admiralty. There-
fore no question of re-purchase
arises.

Enquiries were recently made by
the Admiralty in regard to terms, on
which possession of part or whole of
the site could be acquired, but no de-
cision on the matter has yet been
taken.—Reuter.

Italy And The
Suez Canal

London, Dec. 6.
The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville
Chamberlain, said in the House of
Commons that no communication had
taken place with the Italian Govern-
ment regarding the administration of
the Suez Canal.

Asked if the matter would be dis-
cussed during his visit in January to
Rome, the Prime Minister said he was
not prepared to make any statement.
—Reuter.

KILLED FOR NOT
REPLYING TO
NAZI SALUTE

Kaunase, Dec. 6.
A Lithuanian was killed by two
Memel Germans when he refused to
reply to a Nazi Salute.

The Lithuanian Government has
withdrawn the Security Bills from
Parliament in order to avoid the
complications regarding Memel
affairs.—Reuter.

POPE PIUS
IMPROVES

Vatican City, Dec. 6.
The Pope, whose condition has
improved, went for a drive in a motor
car in the Vatican Gardens this
afternoon.

This is the second time His Holiness
has been out of doors since his recent
illness.—Reuter.

ITALIAN YOUTHS
DEMONSTRATE

Rome, Dec. 6.
Five hundred Italian students
demonstrated outside the French
Consulate at Genoa shouting "Funks,
Corse, Nice". They were dis-
persed by Police without incident.
—Reuter.

DRAMATIC STORY OF
LAST FLIGHT
OF CONDOR

(Continued from Page 1.)

from Manila to the scene of the
wreck and they landed in Subic Bay,
from where they rescued the Germans
from the fishing vessels and brought
them into Manila.

The fliers were all cheerful when
they landed at Cavite.

All except Herr Junge refused to
discuss the crash.

Herr Junge briefly gave details
of the crash and added: "It was
just one of those things that
happen."

Philippine defence regulations
prevent civilian aircraft from flying
a direct route over Corregidor and
the Caballo Islands, the Germans
were forced to approach Manila by a
roundabout way over Subic Bay.

CLUB CRICKET TEAMS

The following teams will represent
the Hongkong Cricket Club against
the Club de Recreio in friendly
games of cricket on Saturday:

1st XI (at home)—H. Owen
Hughes, F. H. Stokes, L. D. Kilbee,
J. Bailey, J. H. Fox, A. C. Beck, T. A.
Pearce, C. D. N. Walker, L. T. Hild,
M. F. L. Haymes and P. H. Scoones.

2nd XI (away)—R. S. W. Paterson,
N. P. Fox, V. C. Bond, D. S.
Robb, C. W. E. Bishop, G. S. Lovell,
D. S. Blake, R. M. King, D. O.
Parsons, S. J. Cooke and L. A. R.
Duncan.

For appointment on these lines?
Why shouldn't we ask the Germans
to join us and the other Nine-Power
signatories, with Russia, to join in
representations for the maintenance
of the open-door?

"That would do more than any-
thing else to get rid of what Mr.
Prow called the psychology of war,
would create a revolution in men's
minds, and would certainly have
an effect on Japan."

Lord Ellbank, using his right to
speak a second time, welcomed the
Government's definite step to take a
stand in the Far East. He thought
Lord Plymouth's remarks with re-
gard to the Nine-Power Treaty was
definite step forward.—Reuter.

Swimming Record
Established

Copenhagen, Dec. 6.
The German swimmer, Joa-
chim Balke, established a new
world record of 7 mins. 23.3
secs. for the 500 metres
breast-stroke event in Aarhus
to-day.

The former record of 7 mins.
23.8 secs. was held by the
American, Kaye.—Trans-
Ocean.

UNITED SERVICES
GOLF MEETING
ARRANGEMENTS

The United Services Golf Meeting
will be held on December 8, 9, and
12 at Fanning, by kind permission of
the Royal Hongkong Golf Club.
On December 8 and 9, the Talpo
Hills will run specially from Kowloon
Railway Station leaving at 8.25 a.m.,
arriving Sheung Shui at 9 a.m., and
returning at 5.40 p.m.

On December 12 a special coach
will be attached to the 12.12 p.m.
train from Kowloon, returning at
5.40 p.m.

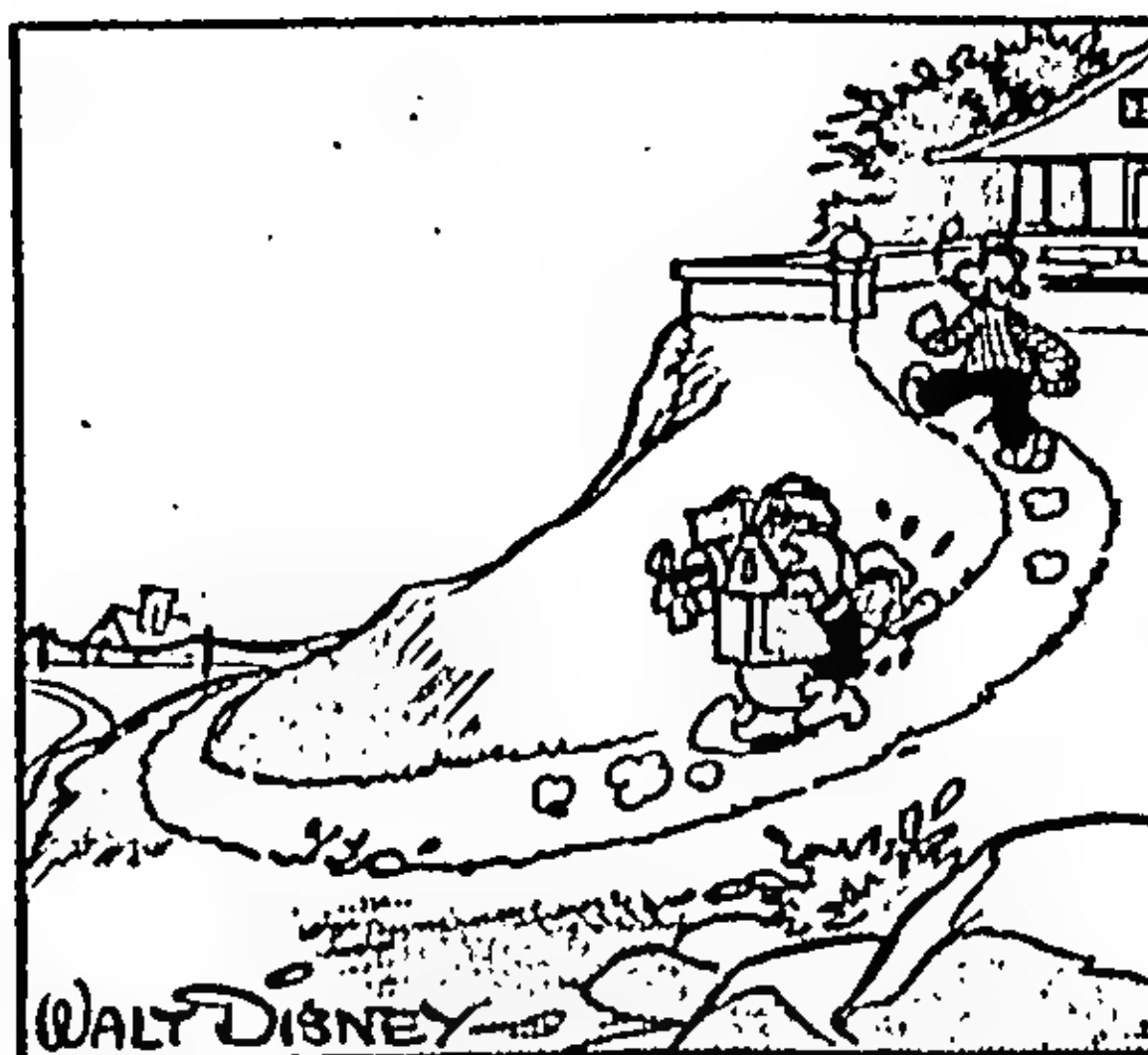
Below are the starting times
arranged for Thursday and Friday.
The starting times for the "United"
match will be published to-morrow.

Thursday, Dec. 8

Old Course

9.8 a.m. Brightman and Wingfield, 9.15
Morrison and Skelton, 9.24 Macdonald Smith
and Gilchrist, 9.25 Nicholson and Harvey,
9.26 Wilson and Barnes, 9.30 Mac Brayne
and Lewis, 9.40 Westmacott and Purn-
phrey, 9.44 Bingham-Powell and Patch,
9.49 Archer and Moffatt, 9.52 Taylor and
Firth, 9.55 Teversham and West, 10 a.m.
Callow, 10.4 Matthews and Lecky, 10.8
Ward, 10.10 Whitman and Steele,
10.12 Kennedy and Edwards, 10.14
Wheeler, 10.15 Morris and Miller, 10.16
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Lords' Debate Reveals Exasperation at Japanese Attitude

EDEN MAY RE-JOIN CABINET

May Take Dominions Portfolio Soon

London, Dec. 6.
IT IS REPORTED that there is a strong possibility that Mr. Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary, will re-join the Cabinet as Secretary of State for the Dominions.



MR. ANTHONY EDEN.

visit of Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax to Rome. This would not cause the displacement of any officers, since Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, at present holds the portfolios of Secretary of State for the Dominions and the Colonies.—United Press.

Hongkong's Danger is Stressed As Peers Discuss Position

LONDON, Dec. 6.

ELABORATING THE ENQUIRY as to what the Government was doing to protect British trade in China, in view of the fact that British trade interests were daily becoming worse, Lord Elibank, speaking in the House of Lords to-day, regretted that Viscount Halifax was unable to be present owing to his departure for a well-earned holiday.

Lord Elibank referred to the conditions ruling at Tsingtao, Tientsin, Shanghai, on the Yellow River, Hankow, and throughout North China which were operating against British trade and shipping due to the Japanese action in the shape of prohibitions, preferential duties, the commandeering of public utilities and Japanese trade monopolies.

The fact is, said Lord Elibank, was that the Japanese were leaving no stone unturned in order to upset British trade and to bolster their own falling economic system.

One of the principal reasons for the capture of Canton was that it created the gravest danger to Hongkong trade.

Lord Elibank wanted to know what the Government proposed to do to carry out Viscount Halifax's statement of July 27.

"If the Japanese nation are to defend their interests, we have the same rights with regard to our interests," he declared.

"Nobody in Britain has any idea of retaliation militarily, but there are many who believe that if we retaliate in the economic sense, we should make some impression on the Japanese."

Lord Elibank said he had pre-

viously suggested denunciation of the Anglo-Japanese trade agreement of 1911 with regard to Japanese trading with the colonies.

CLOSE H.K. TO JAPAN

"The second way I would choose would be to close Hongkong to all Japanese ships and cargoes between Japan and South China, and thus effectively block Japanese trade with Canton," he said.

"Another way would be the closure of all Indian and Straits Settlement ports to Japanese coastal shipping."

"I venture to urge that as Japan will not listen to reason, the time has definitely come to take special economic steps to enforce our viewpoint, to avoid being driven out of this trading field."

"I am credibly informed that the Japanese gold reserves are down to £30,000,000, and their gold production has reached the low level of £12,000,000 a year."

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JAPAN'S OUTLOOK

"There is very little doubt that there is an entire change of outlook in Japan to-day towards China and her trading problems."

"According to the Tokyo Times on December 4, which mentioned the new order in East Asia, foreign interests and foreign trade will play a very small part in the future

economic situation in China."

Lord Elibank referred to the recent meeting in Shanghai of representatives of foreign chambers of commerce, and the identical representations each Chamber had made to its government with regard to the existing Japanese trade aggression in China.

"To such an extent do they feel action is necessary, that although they know any retaliatory action might seriously inconvenience them, they are prepared to face up to those inconveniences for the future of foreign trade in China," he said.

"Another aspect not usually noticed sufficiently is the attitude of China towards Britain."

"I have reason to believe there is a strong feeling being engendered in China against Britain owing to the fact that we have done nothing whatever to assist them in their extremity."

"China is beginning to regard this attitude as at least unfriendly. I venture to believe that if the Chinese are successful in this war, and I have heard of continuing restrictions on British shipping in common with the shipping of other foreign countries, and the movement of British subjects and goods on the river."

"The excuse they continue to give is military necessity."

"On November 7 the governments of the United States, France and Britain made parallel representations to the Japanese Government concerning this, and drew attention to the fact that a steadily increasing and regular trade was being developed on the Yangtze by Japanese vessels."

"The Japanese reply was a denial that such trade actually existed."

"The Japanese Ambassador has produced further evidence to support our contention, which has been brought to the attention of the Japanese Government."

"I can only say that, in view of the repeated undertakings by the Japanese Government that the restrictions would be removed as soon as military operations against Hankow were concluded, we expect an early improvement in the situation."

"With regard to Tientsin and North China, it is quite true that some time ago an embargo was placed on the export of hides from North China. Last July and August, important categories were withdrawn from the scope of the embargo as a result of representations by the British Government and other governments. Recently a further embargo was imposed on wool and hemp from Tientsin. The British and United States governments protested against this. No settlement has been reached, but a monopoly association, formed to control the internal sale of wool in China, has been dissolved."

DISCRIMINATORY TAX
"As regards the discriminatory tax on tobacco, we have received no information."

In reply to a question, Lord Plymouth promised to inquire further.

Continuing, the Government spokesman recalled Lord Elibank's reference to the "very unsatisfactory position in the International Settlement, and said slight progress had been made in the direction of additional permits for factories to be opened and for Chinese workmen returning to work, but progress is very small, and we are continuing to press the matter as strongly as possible."

Lord Plymouth then said he would pass on to questions of a wider character.

Pronouncements had recently been (Continued on Page 4.)

patience in dealing with the subject. "We wish, above all, to avoid producing a situation which is going to make settlement all the more difficult," he concluded.

GOVERNMENT REPLY

Lord Plymouth, replying to the debate, said that Lord Elibank had asked what results had come of previous deliberations, and he had indicated to certain matters in respect of these.

"He maintains, I think perfectly rightly, that British interests are receiving unfair treatment at the hands of the Japanese Government."

"I regret I am unable to report satisfactory progress, but I should like to inform the House of the position with regard to these particular matters."

"Firstly, the position in Tsingtao is very unsatisfactory."

"Restrictions imposed on shipping there constitutes, in the eyes of the British Government, deliberate discrimination against British interests, and they consider there is no valid reason whatever why British ships should not be admitted to the inner harbour."

"Repeated representations have been made to the Japanese naval and civil authorities, as well as to the Japanese Government, and the British Government trusts that before long it will obtain fairer treatment for our ships."

"Meanwhile, I can assure the House that we shall continue to press vigorously on this matter."

YANGTSE NAVIGATION

Turning to the question of navigation on the Yangtze, Lord Plymouth continued: "Here again, I regret to say the Japanese are continuing restrictions on British shipping in common with the shipping of other foreign countries, and the movement of British subjects and goods on the river."

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6.43 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.45 London Relay—The Godsend.

by Earle Gray

Characters: Martha Skinner; Clara King; Ted Seaton; A Man; Sergeant Gillespie. Scene: A lonely cottage in the country. Production by Howard Rose.

7.10 A French Programme with Lys Gauty, Dania, Albert Frejcan and Orchestras.

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Mme. Dania (Vocal) accomp. by the Afonsky Choir; Joli-Tambour (Old French Song); Les Filles De Genevilliers (Old French Song)...

Bolero (Ravel); Speakings—Cuban Dance... Orchestre Theatre Orchestra cond. by G. Walter; L'Attends Un Navire (Deval)...

Lys Gauty with Orchestra; A Song Selection... Lys Gauty with Orchestra accomp. De Picpus Au Palais D'Angkor—Fox-Trot Intermezzo...

Serenade—Valse Espagnole (Metra)...

Orchestre Ruby Goldstein; Pour Qui Tant De Folies (Kaper); Signorina (Kaper)...

Albert Frejcan with Orchestra cond. by Pierre Chagnon; La Fille Aux Maitots (Roule); Tu Ne Sais Pas Almer, Waltz (Zoka)...

Dania with Orchestra cond. by Pierre Chagnon; The Grand Duchess Galop (Offenbach)...

Orchestre Raymond cond. by G. Walter.

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Trio (Edouard Lalo) played by Frue Lewis (Violin) Ettore

11.00 Close Down.

Pellegratti (Cello) and Lindsay A. Lafford (Piano).

8.35 Songs by Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).

Forbidden Music (Gastaldon); If My Mother Only Knew (Nuttie)...

with Orchestra.

8.45 London Relay—Empire Exchange.

Points of view by travellers from the Dominions and Colonies.

9.00 Selections from "Chu Chin Chow." "The Lilac Domino" "The Chocolate Soldier" and others.

"Lilac Time"—Selection (Schubert, arr. Clusman)...

"The New Mayfair Orchestra; "Miss Hoot of Holland"—Vocal Gems (Rubens)...

Light Opera Company; "Chu Chin Chow"—Selection (Norton)...

The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Crenn; "The Chocolate Soldier"—Vocal Gems (Struss)...

The Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 A Programme of Latest Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—When They Played The Polka; A Gipsy Told Me (film "Happy Landings")...

Horace Heidt and His Aleutic Brigadiers with vocal chorus; Tango—Mi Musu Campera; Madrecita De Pompeya...

Orchestra Tipica Francisco Canaro; Fox-Trots—What Goes On Here In My Heart (film "Give me a Sailor")...

A Little Kiss At Twilight (film "Give me a Sailor")...

Dick Jurgens and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Slow Fox-Trot—Alibi's Holiday (Film)...

The Six Swingers directed by Scott Wood.

10.25 London Relay—In Town To-night.

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11.00 Close Down.

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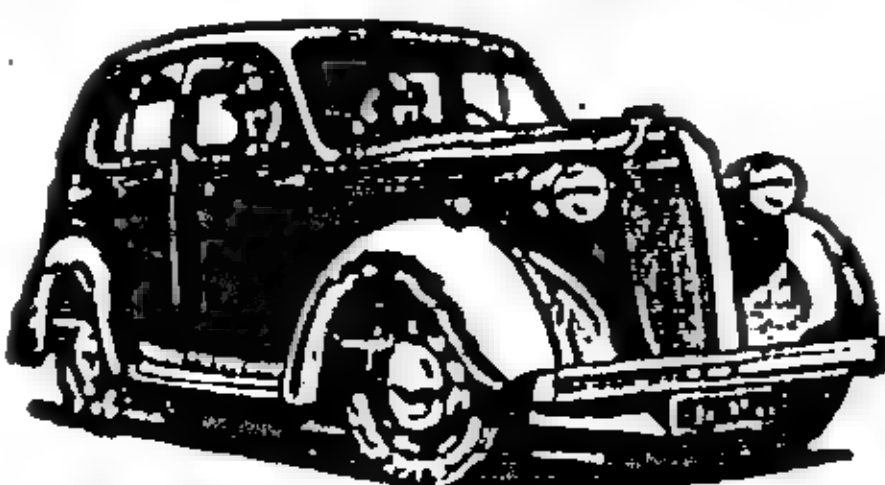
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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1938.

The New Agitator

THE B.B.C. we are told in a news despatch yesterday, will continue news broadcasts in foreign languages. Why?

Because all over the world now the radio stations are giving out propaganda.

If you listen-in on the short-waves you'll hear a German or an Italian, though speaking in English. This Voice declares that the broadcast is directed to South and Eastern Asia. But the message is directed, of course, to the place where most English is spoken—India.

What can you do about it? Radio penetrates the defences of the old-fashioned Press censorship like a boxer with a new punch slips through the guard of the orthodox stylist.

There are two ways to stop it, and the B.B.C. knows it. Jam the offending station. Or give him some of his own medicine.

Santa's Beard

AFTER the hind legs of the donkey, no man deserves our sympathy at this time of the year more than the professional Santa Claus. Among the perils of his occupation, it appears, is the catching of his beard in electrical toys. Not only is this fate painful in itself but it is calculated to destroy every morsel of that prestige among the young so essential to his task.

Nevertheless, Santa Claus (Santa Claus) have approached their task with a high sense of professional conduct. At a New York conference they have shown a firm grasp of this beard question. Santa's beard, it is laid down, is to be long enough to add a touch of verisimilitude to an otherwise bald and unconvincing person. But it is not to be like Aaron's, that went down to the skirts of his clothing. There should be moderation in all things, even in beards.

Smiling Through

What is your favourite film? The British Film Institute sug-

I WAS FORCED DOWN
AT
SEA

I KNOW just what the four German fliers in the Condor plane went through before they were picked up by fishermen yesterday.

I know because—for 20 hours—I, too, had been in the same position. Four of us, a Canadian named Hosmer, Mechanic Piciee, Radio-operator Gilmour and I, determined to fly from the Azores to Newfoundland on our way from Pisa to New York. It was August, 1928.

We had got half-way when, suddenly, I saw in the wind-screen a strange crimson glow. It took me a few seconds to realise what had happened: the petrol feed had cracked, then broken, the machine had petered out owing to the weakness of the mixture, the engine had back-fired, and we were on fire.

The engines were set above the machine. The trail of the flames was rushing backwards. It had burned the tail-fin which projected above the fuselage. Those were the flames I saw reflected.

I decided to come down. As I swooped, I had only one thought: "Any ships about will see us all right." There was no time to send out a message. I yelled to the mechanic: "Cut off the petrol." He clambered out and turned off the tap.

When I was a few feet above the sea—a pretty rough sea—I saw the foam of the waves was pink from the flames. I had no idea how I should land. I simply held the plane off the wave tops until it lost speed and then let her fall into the sea. As luck would have it the landing was perfect.

For a bit I was terrified of the risk of going up in a blaze. The fire was just above a 10-gallon tank of petrol. In the fuselage below were the main tanks. One spark and it would be all up. Luck saved us again. The fire went out.

After a bit, we began to put up the radio. At practice, we had rigged it in 15 minutes. When we had to do it under real conditions, it took us two hours.

Finally, we got it rigged. We sent out an S O S. We got no reply.

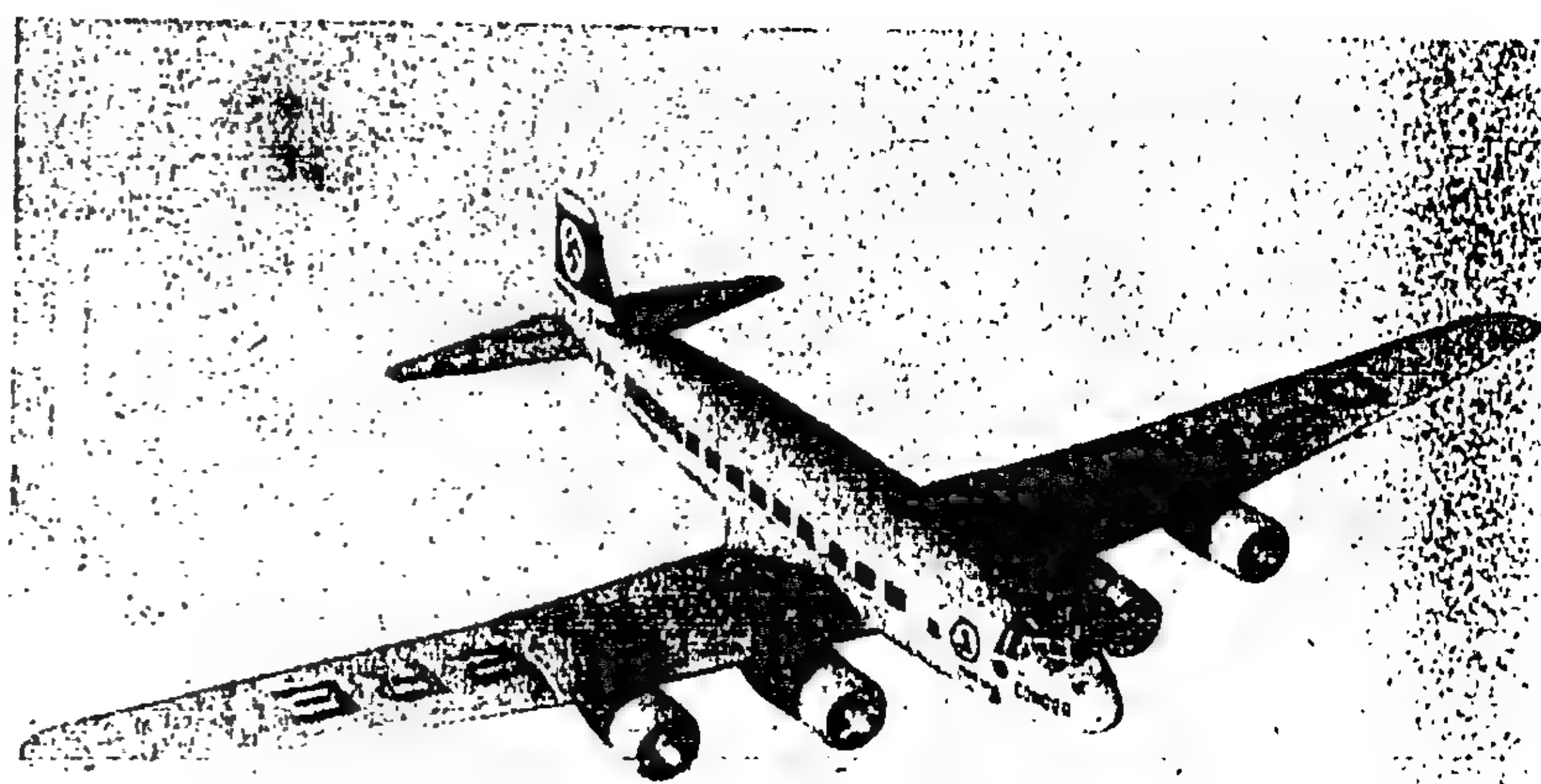
We decided to wait until 9 a.m. before sending out another, when some ships would be sure to get the signal. When day broke, our only emotion was a dumb wonder: shall we be picked up to-day? If not, what will happen?

gest in their annual report last month that tastes are altering.

The "leg-show" is on the run, and the everlasting sunshine of the glamour girl's smile is paling. Conversely, the screen cartoonist's little characters—which can be endowed with six legs and a smile that meets at the back of the neck—are growing in everybody's esteem.

The pointless, "popular" picture is making way, it is said, for good historical adaptations and for films that have honest plot and genuine interest. Taste is on the up-grade.

A few years more and the screen public will get out of the Hollywood.



The German Condor plane, which was forced down near Manila yesterday.

By Captain
Frank Courtney

who in 1928 attempted one of the pioneer Transatlantic flights in a Dornier-Wal flying-boat, which caught fire in the air half-way between the Azores and Newfoundland.

Our first signal in the morning was picked up and answered by the Celtic.

We used the direction finder to get our position and gave it out to the liner, which relayed it to other boats. We heard them "speaking." We felt grand. We thought it was just a matter of waiting to be picked up.

But we were so low in the water, it was almost impossible to see us. Waves seemed to be breaking at us from all heights and all directions.

Gradually the difficulties of the rescuers began to dawn on us. We were a tiny speck, set almost on the water-line. A shower of rain would obscure us at a mile. Even if it stayed clear a ship would have to come within five or six miles to sight us. And the great expanse of the sea, stretching desolate and empty before us, brought home to us the grim realisation of the immensity of the task. We heard the ships exchange messages. We even heard Lisbon giving out messages to the Press. Ships' calls came to us: "We are on our way." Someone asked for a report of the accident. But we could not reply: our batteries were too low.

We had not thought of packing more juice. We were thinking of lightening the plane as much as we could before we started, not loading ourselves

with safety appliances. We took the minimum: batteries, fire-extinguishers, everything.

To add to our gaieties, we were sea-sick. I was sea-sick for the first time in my life: the smell of burning aluminium was too much. I was so sick I didn't care if we were picked up or not.

The wireless man called out he could see smoke on the horizon. I got to my feet, saw he had been deceived. It was just a sun-ray through a distant cloud. I cursed him. Later I raised the cry of "Smoke." Gilmour saw I had made the same mistake, and cursed me back.

Tempers were fraying. I gave orders that no-one should announce he could see smoke: only ships should be taken as evidence of salvation.

At one in the afternoon, a message from the President Hayes, en route to the United States on a round-the-world Dollar Line Cruise that had taken in Hongkong, told us they had arrived at our position, and we were not there. Of course not. The drift of sea-weed told us we were moving at about 3 m.p.h.; my chart told us we were also being carried by the Gulf Stream at about 2½ m.p.h. Our drift to the westward was at the rate of 5 m.p.h., and we had covered 50 miles from the time we had given our position. I wondered if the liner would figure that out too.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You're such a brute, Cadwell! You still haven't noticed my new hat!"

The tanker Achatina sent a message: "We are near you. Can you put up a smoke screen?"

Petrol sends up good black smoke—but how to fire it? We got the top off a 5-gallon can. We filled it three-quarters full from the tanks. We tried to kick it overboard at the exact moment we fired it. But as I lunged the match in, a wave hit us and upset the whole thing.

For a few seconds we floated in a blazing pool of petrol. Then another wave took us out of range. The smoke-cloud was fine—but the Achatina did not see it—and we decided there would be no more petrol flares.

We had food aboard, but no-one thought of eating. Sea-sickness and anxiety together murder one's appetite. We had nothing to smoke. To drink we had two gallons of fresh water. When that was gone we should have been reduced to the water in the radiators—chock-full of iron filings.

Although we had not enough juice to send messages, we had enough to hear. We intercepted a conversation about us between the Columbus and the Minnewaska.

They were 50 miles away. The Columbus was going south. The Minnewaska was heading straight for us. We hoped, how we hoped to God, he would continue. How we dreaded he might change his course.

The sun began to sink lower and lower over the horizon. We heard the Minnewaska's signals getting nearer. Suddenly the Achatina cut in: "We'll reach you somehow." It seemed a race between the rescue ships and the sinking sun. And the sun seemed to be winning.

Gilmour really saw smoke on the horizon—but he didn't dare to say so. Then, over the skyline we saw the line of a mast, of a funnel, of a bow, heading straight towards us. We knew he could not see us. Would he, would he turn off?

Nearer and nearer. And the sun sinking lower and lower. Nearer and nearer, lower and lower. We sent out our last message, leaving our batteries empty.

It was the setting sun that we had looked on as our enemy that proved our salvation. A sailor at the mast-head saw a flash—the level rays striking our wings. If the sun had been higher in the sky, he would never have seen us. And the Minnewaska was about to change course just when it sighted the flash.

The liner hove to, lowered a boat, sent out, took us off. Oo we reached the ship, all our sensations—disappointment at our failure, heart-sickening anxiety, resignation, complete apathy when we were ill—led into one not of relief but of gigantic anti-climax. That was my adventure. That is what the four Gephans faced before they were picked up.

"Oh! We SHALL Miss The Duchess" Say The Fashion Experts

She Is Britain's Dress-Chooser-In-Chief

All Women Wait For Her Lead

There is dismay in the fashion world over the announcement that the Duke of Kent is becoming Governor-General of Australia.

LOVE'S LUCK

"I appear for this woman," said a solicitor defending a pretty young woman accused of speeding at Croydon recently.

"She has since become my wife. She was very pre-occupied with wedding arrangements."

But, alas! the court was unromantic. Fine £3; licence suspended six months.

DUKE TELLS OF "MY LAST 3d"

IS IT SWEETS OR CHOCOLATE?

MEMORIES OF HIS BOYHOOD

The Duke of Kent, speaking recently at the dinner of the Advertising Association at the Dorchester Hotel, congratulated those responsible for advertising matter in this country "for not abusing the use of the superlatives." Our comfort and enjoyment were, he said, based largely upon the honesty of the advertisement trade as anything else.

"It is obvious," he went on, "that an article widely advertised must be of the quality which the advertisement claims it is to hold its own in a free market. This has led to the public trusting advertisements which they read, and to their being seldom let down. I think this state of affairs is due very largely to the principle that underlies all British business—and I include advertising—it is 'Quality counts.'"

"I CAN REMEMBER
"As a small boy I can remember the conflicts in my own mind when I had to decide between spending my last 3d of pocket money on sweets or chocolate. I decided on chocolate. I was faced with the claims of a dozen manufacturers. I was not conscious of trying to extract the greatest value out of my 3d, but I wanted the greatest enjoyment."

"My problems were, of course, immaterial, because the sweets or chocolate were only luxuries, but how much more serious is it for the housewife trying to make a home happy and comfortable."

"We all want this country to enjoy peace and prosperity. We want English men and women to feel, not only proud, but happy. To achieve this we must all play our part. Your part is a large one, but I feel sure that in able hands like yours it will sure be successful."

Advertising had become a business undreamed of a few years ago. "It is a mixture of fact, fiction, science, psychology and art. But, above all, it is human. I doubt if there is any business that is so essentially human, for the whole merit of a good and successful advertisement is, surely, its public appeal."

"REAL DEMOCRACY"
Lord Southwood, president of the Association, who presided, said the Duke's speech would give advertisers a new realization of the part that they played in the welfare of the country.

"How happy and how fortunate are we in having a Royal family possessing so clear an understanding of affairs affecting the everyday lives of our people! There is hardly an aspect of our national life that does not receive the inspiration and support of our Royal family. What a lesson have we here in real democracy—a lesson of entire devotion to the country's good."

Women are goddesses on whom our very existence depends. Why, 80 per cent. of the goods purchased in this country are purchased by women, and, in fact, they hold our existence in their hands."

No less than £130,000,000 was spent every year in advertising, a fact that spoke eloquently of the position to which the profession had attained.

Twins Confuse Campus

San Jose, Cal.
Confusion reigns on the campus and in the class rooms of San Jose State College this year. Included in the student body are seven sets of twins, all but two of which are classified as "identical twins." Each pair dresses alike.

It is feared—and openly said—that the absence of the Duchess from Britain will have an adverse effect on the whole fashion industry.

The Duchess has made fashion history. She has given London the leadership that belonged to Paris, and fashion houses fear that in her absence London will lose that lead again.

One famous designer said: "It really is a tragedy. It is difficult to express in words the impetus she gave to dress designing."

MAY DRIFT BACK

"Fashion memories are short, and I'm afraid we may drift back to what we were—dull and uninspired."

One leading man in cotton designing confirmed this. He said: "As a result of the interest of the Duchess in various printed cottons, our orders were much larger than ever before."

"Also the general taste in design and colour has improved very much through the fashions she set."

The head of a house famous for Court and ball gowns said: "The influence of the Duchess on fashions has been one of the most remarkable features of contemporary life. I fear her departure will lessen that influence."

A buyer at one of the West End stores said: "She influenced the whole trend of women's clothes and hats."

A dressmaker at the same store said: "We are always being asked for something 'such as the Duchess wears.'"

In the accessory department, the hats, gloves and coloured-edged handkerchiefs of the kind carried by the Duchess are a substantial part of our trade."

SHE IS UNIQUE

The manager of a hat firm said: "Our sales went up in a fantastic way."

RECTOR SAYS 'TEAS WASTE MY TIME'

Market Harborough.

The Rev. Algernon S. Mills, forty-eight-year-old rector of Oxendon, near Market Harborough, ninety of whose parishioners have petitioned the Bishop of Peterborough for an inquiry into parish affairs, said: "I could do better work in a slum than in this village of elderly people."

"They expect me to waste time having cups of tea with them." The people who have signed the petition complain that Mr. Mills—who married a twenty-eight-year-old ex-factory worker secretly two months ago—gives all his time to the young people.

21 WERE THERE

Twenty-one villagers went to morning service in the fifteenth century church recently.

Mrs. Mills sat in the front pew in a macintosh and beret.

Raymond Moore, eleven-year-old son of the village millman, played the organ.

In his sermon Mr. Mills said that the true Christian is "self-disciplined but savours all the pleasures of life."

—that he does not go through life "using his eyes and ears for abuse of his fellowmen."

After the service girls and boys of the village went with Mr. Mills back to the rectory, made themselves at home there.

While Mrs. Mills prepared the Sunday dinner the rector talked of his fair for youth and preoccupation with the souls of the young.

"I'LL MEET THEM
He said: 'It is true I have a club here for the young people.'

"I've taught them all to dance, and I have been able to do a little good for some of them. I like tackling the young people from poorer homes."

"I the villagers have reasonable complaint I'll meet them and answer them."

Roby Mason, seventeen-year-old factory worker in Market Harborough, has been for three years to the evening parties at the rectory.

"There might be ten or twelve of us at a time," she said. "We sit around and talk and dance—just ordinary. The rector made us come to church every Sunday. He has been very good to all of us."

Jim Walker, head gardener at Oxendon Hall, said of the petitioners' attitude: "The villagers don't like the parties at the rectory," he said. "Radio, darts, billiards and table tennis to all hours on a Sunday night. And dancing with all the boys and girls of Market Harborough 'going along.' It's a bit better now."

because of her affection for the veiled hat."

The head of a wholesale house said:—

"We have received any amount of orders from London and the provinces for copies of the simple crinoline frock the Duchess wore the other evening at the Bath Assembly Rooms."

"It is to be the popular style for Christmas parties."

What is the fashion leadership secret of the Duchess?

"She is unique," said one expert, "because she never wears extreme styles. She has perfected the art of suitability in dress. Yet she can make the simplest suit decorative and lovely."

Hairdressers lament that they will miss the Duchess just as much as the fashion houses.

"She has shown other women," said one of them, "that it is possible to vary the hair style to suit the frock and the occasion. This was a new idea to Englishwomen."

"When she appeared with high curls in the Victorian manner several suburban hairdressers' shops had to take on extra assistants to cope with the rush of women who wished to do their hair in the same way."

SEASON'S PROBLEM
It is believed that when the Duchess goes to Australia at least one famous fashion house will open a branch there.

Why, you may ask, should not the Duchess continue to lead fashions while in Australia?

The answer is that it is impossible because of the seasons. Her new summer fashions will come in what is our winter time, and her winter fashions in our summer.

She will always be either six months out of date or six months ahead.

AUSTRALIA'S NEXT "VICEREINE"



The Duchess of Kent walking to her seat in the Granada Cinema, Clapham Junction, on arriving to attend a presentation of the film *Letter of Introduction* which was given in aid of charity. Needless to say, the nine-pennies and one-and-sixpennies were packed, but not at the usual prices.

THE OLDEST WOMAN HAS LEFT HOLLOWAY

Holloway Jail's oldest prisoner, sixty-eight-year-old Mrs. Mary Millicent Dixon, was recently released after serving nearly six years of an eight year sentence. Little Mrs. Dixon, a dignified, motherly figure, came out to start life again faultlessly dressed and with her head high.

Princesses Get First Xmas Gift

Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret have had their first Christmas present.

The Queen recently accepted a Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs set, made from the wishbones of chickens and modelling paste by an Ealing ex-Service man, Mr. A. G. Marshall, of Station-parade, Ealing Common.

Meanwhile the toy "flower shop" presented to Princess Margaret by the City of Paris is proving one of the favourite playthings of the two Princesses.

Princess Margaret sent a message thanking the Mayor of Paris for the gift, and the Queen added: "This charming present was shown to the Princess on her return from Scotland, and every afternoon since the toy shop has been for both her and Princess Elizabeth a constant source of pleasure and amusement."

Chinchilla Farm Expands

Inglewood, Cal.
The Chinchilla Sales Corporation at its South American Chinchilla Farm here now has 1,500 chinchillas out of the total of only 2,000 that are believed to exist in the entire world. The farm started with 11 of the little animals, but it will be from 8 to 20 years before the company figures it can begin selling furs.

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Man Feared To Tell Wife No. 2 Of Children

Birmingham.

Because he was afraid to tell his second wife that he had two children by a previous marriage—it would have "meant the end," he said—Thomas Joseph Hayden, thirty-eight, of Sparkhill, Birmingham, allowed the children to live alone.

An anonymous caller rang up the N.S.P.C.C., and at Birmingham Police Court recently Hayden was sentenced to three months' imprisonment for neglecting the younger child, a boy aged thirteen.

The boy and his sister, who is fifteen, were found under-nourished and neglected.

Hayden said, when he was traced, that he had given the girl £1 for rent and food. The rent was 14s. 5d.

Wife No. 2, Mrs. Jenn Hayden, was married three weeks before. "It was a great shock to me when a policeman knocked at my door and told me my husband had been sent to prison," she told me with tears. "I had no knowledge that he had children."

"I saw him before he was taken to prison. He bowed his head and said 'Please forgive me, Jenn. I was afraid of losing your love.'"

The irony of it all is that Jenn "dotes on children." "I would have been pleased to look after Tom's motherless babies," she said.

The prisoners could spend their money.

"On the first night," said Mrs. Dixon, "it was almost impossible to control the prisoners as they jostled and fought to get a place at the counters."



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MANY LOCAL TENNIS PLAYERS INVITED TO SAIGON

SEVERAL HAVE DECLINED DUE TO INABILITY TO GET LEAVE

Tsui Wai-Pui Uncertain At The Present Moment

(By "Abe")

That officials of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association are making a determined effort to send a team of local players to Saigon to take part in the Far Eastern Tennis Championships in response to the invitation of the Saigon authorities is demonstrated by the fact that letters have been written to all the leading players in the Colony asking them whether they can make the trip.

As announced yesterday, the tournament has been postponed until next month and will be held from January 7 to January 15. Yvon Petra, the French Davis Cup player, is already in Saigon for the championships, and Kio Sin-Kit, the Chinese star, is due there at the end of the month.

The Saigon authorities have offered to pay hotel expenses of Hongkong players during their stay in that city and they also propose to pay the return fare from Saigon to Hongkong.

And now, it is understood, the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association has come forward with an offer to pay the passage of local players to Saigon, if required.

FREE HOLIDAY
Which, of course, means that those who answer "Yes" to the Association's letters will have a holiday of nearly three weeks with everything found—except pocket expenses. In addition, they will have an opportunity of meeting some of the world's leading players. Besides Petra and Kio, there will be many others well-known in the Far Eastern tennis circles, including the leading players of the Philippines and Japan.

Mr. C. J. Tatchell, Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association, informed me yesterday that letters had been written to the following players:

Tsui Wai-pui, S. A. Rumjahn, H. D. Rumjahn, Ho Ka-lou, Lai Kwong-tsun, E. C. Fincher, M. W. Lo, L. Goldman, W. C. Hung, J. W. Leonard, Tsui Yun-pui, A. E. P. Guest, W. A. H. Duff, Tannie Kwok, Paul Kong and Lee Wai-tong.

PLAYERS' REPLIES
Of these 10, many have already decided not to go. I got in touch with the following players yesterday afternoon and these were the replies they gave me:

Paul Kong—I don't think I can get away.

E. C. Fincher—I'm afraid I can't go.

W. C. Hung—I had my leave last month, and I can't get away again so soon.

M. W. Lo—I can't go. I have already replied to that effect.

Lee Wai-tou—I don't think I can manage it.

L. Goldman—I have only just received the letter. I haven't had time to give the matter much thought.

Tsui Yun-pui—I am going.

Tsui Wai-pui—I'm not sure yet. I won't know until the end of this week.

A. E. P. Guest—I will go if I can obtain leave.

Of the others, S. A. Rumjahn is still on leave, and it would be unlikely that he will be able to take another three weeks off for the trip. His cousin "H.D." I am told, is almost certain of turning down the invitation owing to the difficulty of getting away.

The views of Lai Kwong-tsun, J. W. Leonard, W. A. H. Duff, Ho Ka-lou and Tannie Kwok have not yet been obtained.

Hongkong's representation would be strengthened if Duff's reply to the H.K.L.T.A. was in the affirmative; but I am told there is little chance of it being so.

TSUI WAI-PUY UNCERTAIN

Hongkong could send a fairly strong team if Tsui Wai-pui can be persuaded to go. At the moment he is uncertain; but there is a distinct possibility of his answer being "Yes" because he would like to have another chance of playing Yvon Petra, who defeated him in the first round of the French Championships in Paris in 1937.

On that occasion the Frenchman won in straight sets, but Tsui thinks that he should now do better against the lanky French ace. He and his brother would also make a formidable pair, with every prospect of going far; and in this connection, it is to be regretted that the Rumjahn cousins cannot take part as they are almost certain of proving popular in Saigon. Their reputation is known there.

Anyhow although so many of those asked are not in a position to accept the offer, there is enough material left for Hongkong to send a fairly strong contingent, and those who go cannot help but benefit from their experience, thereby adding to lift the standard of tennis in the Colony.



Lancashire Chips, with Mr. B. A. Froulx up, knocked four-fifths of a second off the record time for the distance in the Crumond Brig Handicap at the Twelfth Extra Race Meeting held at Happy Valley on Saturday. She started a sizzling-hot favourite and did not disappoint her supporters. Here's the finish, with Courting Eve second and Able Amazon third.—Photo by A. V. Wong.

Hopman Thinks Next Davis Cup Team Should Go To Wimbledon

"We have returned to Australia with perhaps more confidence in the future than any Australian Davis Cup team since 1920," so said Harry Hopman, manager of the 1938 team, at the official welcome home to the side in Sydney last month. "I believe that in Bromwich, Australia will have the best amateur tennis player in the world next year. It is certain that Budge will turn professional. I think that Australia will win the 1939 Davis Cup. The team feels that our two best players, Bromwich and Quist, should not be overplayed this season in Australia. They should be given a reasonable rest to build them up for the hard times ahead. Personally I think that Australia's team should go via Europe next time, playing at Wimbledon to give the players very necessary match practice to get them to their highest standard. We were handicapped by lack of such practice this year, and might easily have suffered defeat against the Japanese through it. However, the luck broke our way."

Kid (20 Fights, 20 Wins) Tanner May Be Next Champion

By Geoffrey Simpson

London, Nov. 2.
A Woolly-Haired coloured boxer—unheard of when he landed from British Guiana a year ago, and now the talk of the North—may shortly reign as bantam-weight champion of the Empire. His name, or ring title, is Kid Tanner, and never was a fighter more aptly named. He has been "tanning" our bantams and feather-weights ever since he arrived. 20 of them, to be exact, and every one stopped inside the distance.

Now the British Board of Control have paired him with our bantam champion, Johnny King, for the Empire title, and are calling for purse offers. Two, for certain, will be made. Johnny Best, of Liverpool, will bid, and so will Belle Vue, Manchester—and there may be others.

Tanner's entry into English boxing might have been taken from an adventure book. He left British Guiana on a cargo boat, flat broke, and with nothing more to recommend him than his own statement that he could fight. Some say it was a banana steamer that he came on, but it is a fact that he worked his passage and walked on to the docks at Liverpool wondering what his next move would be, and where next week's meals might come from.

His first thought was to locate a boxing hall in the city. That led him to the Liverpool Stadium and Johnny Best. The promoter agreed to give Tanner a six-rounds bout, more or less against his own judgment. Tanner knocked his man out with a few powerful punches.

JUST A START

That started Tanner, whose skin is almost coal-black, on his way, and so far no one can stop him. Mr. Best quickly decided that fly-weights were no match for this terrific coloured puncher. He gave him bantams, and "the Kid" knocked them over, too. Now Tanner is handing out the same scant treatment to feather-weights, though his own weight is a trifle over 120 lb. The list of victims having reached 20—and one of them is Len Hampson—the Board feel that it is time something was done, so they have selected King.

King should feel flattered, but probably thinks that this is a match in which he has everything to lose. It would be different if Tanner had an overseas record, but all he can claim is the championship of British Guiana, which has small significance here.

Tanner is the mystery man of British boxing. We know he is good—but how good? On Monday he stopped Harry Edwards (Birmingham) in Manchester. In the same ring King lost on points to

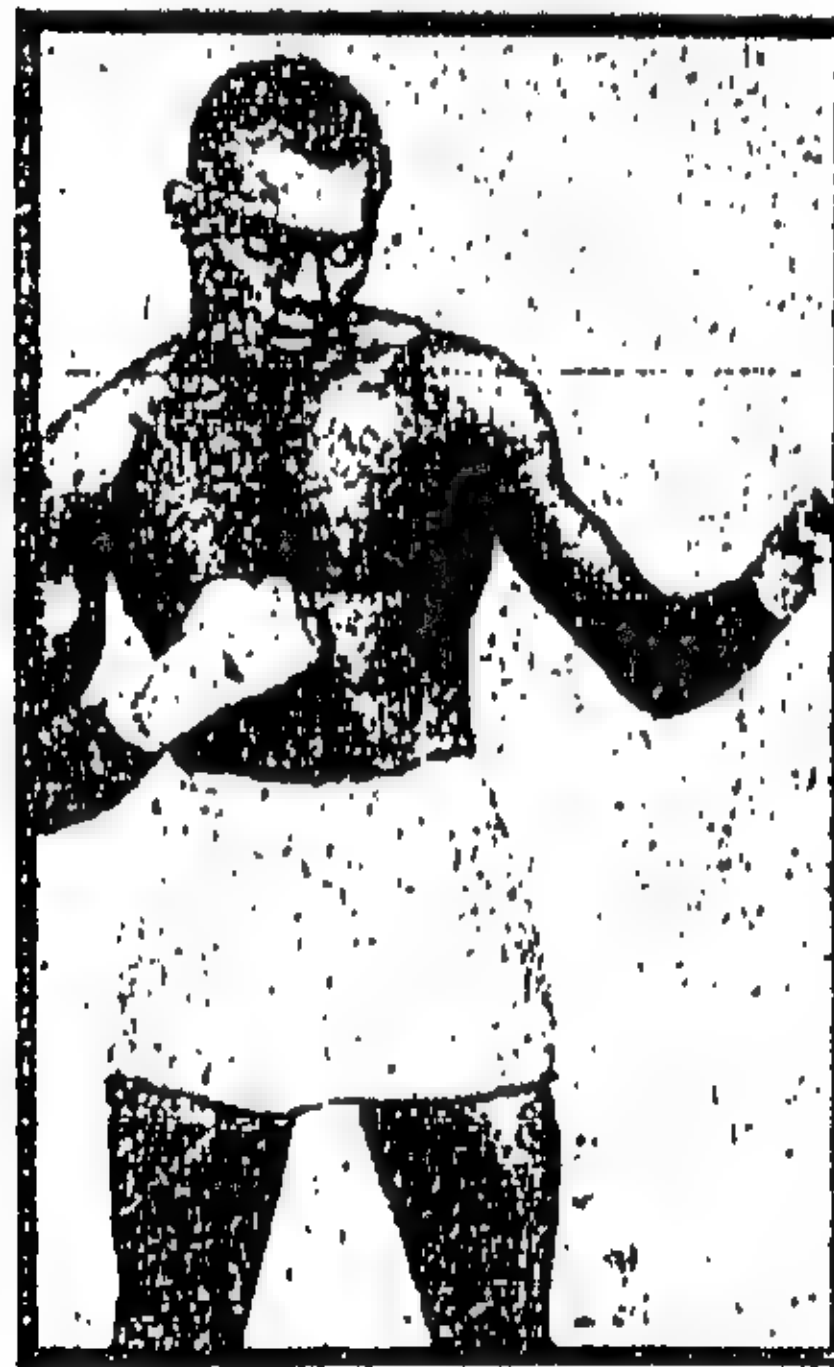
Cambridge Surprise Dark Blues Annual University Rugger Match

London, Dec. 6.
At Twickenham to-day, the inter-Varsity rugby match between Cambridge and Oxford was won by the Light Blues by eight points (a penalty goal and a placed goal) to six (two penalty goals).

Cambridge owed their victory to strong defence, especially in the first half when Oxford had so much of the game.

Oxford's forwards were expected to crush Cambridge, but the Light Blues were just as lively in the loose, and in the last quarter of an hour heeled the ball from almost every scrum.

Both sides tackled and marked well.—Reuter.



Kid Tanner

Boon's attempts to make it a free-hitting battle. Still, men of championship calibre should have the ability to solve awkward problems. (Continued on Page 9)

Plans For Golf's Biggest Money Tournament

"Daily Mail" £2,000 Final To Be Held At Bournemouth

By F. J. C. Pignon

London, Oct. 28.

The Daily Mail will again sponsor the biggest prize money tournament in professional golf in 1939. Arrangements have been completed to hold the first big competition of the year in March, when every recognised professional golfer in Great Britain will be eligible to compete for prizes amounting to £2,000 presented by The Daily Mail.

In co-operation with the Professional Golfers' Association, the governing body in professional golf, eight qualifying competitions will be held in different parts of the country, North, South, East, West and Midlands of England, Scotland, Ireland and Northern Ireland while eligible professionals from overseas may compete in the Southern qualifying test.

These eliminating tests which are in course of arrangement will qualify 100 players to take part in the final stages of the tournament.

It has been the policy of The Daily Mail to make the tournament a really national event, and with that in view the final has been taken to different parts of England and nearly always played on courses which rarely house professional tournaments.

ON A PUBLIC COURSE

Next year, the final stages will be played at Bournemouth, a district abounding in beautiful courses, which has never before been the venue of a national professional golf tournament.

Another unusual feature of the 1939 event is that it will be played on a public course. The Queen's Park course, one of the two governed by the Corporation of Bournemouth, has been selected for the final stages which will be played on March 25, 30, and 31.

Queen's Park, although only about 6,300 yards in length, is a heather golf, bounded by pine woods and such a fine example of modern green architecture that it has a scratch score of 75. Those who have played over it, including Reginald Whitcombe, the Open champion, claim that an average of four is a good score, even for a professional.

THE FINAL FIELD

The field for the finals at Bournemouth will consist of:

37	players from the Southern Section.
25	" " " Northern " "
15	" " " Midland " "
4	" " " Eastern " "
4	" " " Western " "
6	" " " Welsh " "
6	" " " Scottish " "
1	" " " Northern Ireland " "

If this proves to be correct, it may show that it is possible to construct a course entertaining for average golfers and still sufficiently exacting for a first-class professional tournament, without making it extremely long.

The qualifying competitions will begin on March 1, the actual dates and venues now being in course of arrangement.

The number of players to qualify from each district is based upon the membership list of the P.G.A. In the area, the proportion in the past having been about one player to 14 eligible professionals.

Every one of the 100 players who reaches the final stage will receive a prize. The player with the best score for the final 72 holes of stroke play will receive the biggest prize in golf, £500.

One round of 18 holes will be played on each of the first two days, and at the half-way stage all but a maximum of fifty players leading the field—ties for fifth place will not count—will be eliminated. But by an adjustment made in the prize list even those who are compulsorily retired will receive the minimum prize of £10, while all the survivors will have chances to increase their prize money on the final day when the remaining 30 holes will be played.

Badminton

LADIES' LEAGUE RESULTS

Two Recreio Teams Win Easily

Both Club de Recreio teams were successful in the ladies' section of the Badminton League last evening, the "A" team defeating the European Y.M.C.A. by 9-0 and the "B" team beating St. Andrew's by 8-1.

Scores:

RECREIO "A" v. EUROPEAN "Y"

Mrs. N. Castro and Miss M. Xavier (Recreio) beat Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Honey 21-2; beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Short 21-0; beat Mr. Hamden and Mrs. Kerr 21-1.

Miss O. Ribeiro and Miss M. Ribeiro (Recreio) beat Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Honey 21-4; beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Short 21-4; beat Mrs. Hamden and Mrs. Kerr 21-6. Miss C. M. Silva and Miss M. Silva (Recreio) beat Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Honey 21-10; beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Short 21-13; beat Mrs. Hamden and Mrs. Kerr 21-0.

RECREIO "B" v. ST. ANDREW'S

Miss S. Remedios and Miss I. Pereira (Recreio) lost to Miss M. Churn and Miss A. E. Greiner 13-21; beat Miss F. Wong and Miss J. Wong 21-16; beat Mrs. M. Anderson and Miss G. White 21-4.

Miss A. Noronha and Miss M. Oliveira (Recreio) beat Miss Churn and Miss Greiner 21-9; beat Miss Wong and Miss Wong 21-6; beat Mrs. Anderson and Miss White 21-7. Mrs. S. Sousa and Miss A. Remedios (Recreio) beat Miss Churn and Miss Greiner 21-10; beat Miss Wong and Miss Wong 21-13; beat Mrs. Anderson and Miss White 21-6.



"Two-Ton" Tony Galento, of Orange, N.J., contender for the world's heavyweight boxing championship, is certain of beating Joe Louis if and when they meet. Stricken with pneumonia last July, he made a good recovery and recently beat Harry Thomas by a technical knockout in the third round. He claims to train on beer and is owner of a pub.

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LATEST GOSSIP FROM HOMESIDE SPORTS

CAMPAIGN TO OBTAIN BETTER CONDITIONS FOR ENGLISH BOXERS

London, Nov. 18.
PUNCH-DRUNK boxers should be suspended from boxing until they are fit again, and special medical officers should attend fights to report on men showing signs of punch-drunkenness. This is one of the recommendations of the National Boxing Association in its campaign for better conditions. Proposing the sterilising of gloves after each contest, the N.B.A. points out that "Dirty, sweaty gloves harbour germs and are a grave danger to boxers and others. Blindness has been caused by dirty gloves."

Hampston's Case

LEN HAMPSTON, bantam-weight boxing champion of the North, hung up his gloves for the last time on Wednesday night—his manager, Joe Shepherd, of Newcastle, forecast for him a future in the ring which might end in punch-drunkenness. "When a man is punch-drunk he has no brains left," Mr. Shepherd stated. During his eight years in the ring, Hampston has twice fought for the British title.

For Stud Farm?

HELLENQUA is to make another appearance at Newmarket—not this time as a competitor for one of our chief handicaps, but as one of the lots to be sold on the Wednesday during the December Sales Week. It is common knowledge that she could have been bought for rather

less than £500 in Cambridgeshire week. Before carrying off the Cambridgeshire, Hellenqua won no fewer than 16 races in France in four seasons, so she has made herself worthy of a place in any stud farm. The Racing fixture list for 1940 is rather unusual, as sport under Jockey Club rules will be begun on Easter Monday, March 25.

Rugby Mix-Up

It is announced officially by the Swinton Rugby League Club that W. H. Hopkin, the former Newport and Welsh International three-quarter who last March was expelled by the Welsh Union for alleged infringement of the amateur code, had signed professional forms for Swinton and would play for them on Saturday. Mr. S. Jones, secretary of the club said: "It is quite true. Hopkin came to terms with us on Wednesday." Meantime, Hopkin emphatically denied the signing. "I have not signed forms for any Rugby League club. I am not a professional," it will be recalled that a request by Hopkin for reinstatement by the Welsh Union last September was refused.

Easier For Cyclists

A NEW international document, which will make it possible to cycle across Europe with the minimum Customs formalities, is announced by the Cyclists Touring Club. It is called a Carnet de Passages en Douane and replaces the separate Customs tickets and trip-tiques which have previously been necessary to avoid paying Customs dues at each frontier. France is the only important country where the carnet will not be valid. A Customs ticket and "circulation permit" will in this case still be necessary.

Hall's Record

EVERY London footballer must feel proud of Willie Hall, the Tottenham inside-forward, who made English Soccer history at Old Trafford in the international match against Ireland this week. Three goals in three minutes in the first half of a match of this class is enough to place a man among the immortals. But to cap it with two more goals in the second half is a wonder after-noon Willie Hall is not likely to forget. Hall's five goals is a record in individual feat for England in a full international match. Scotland's record is held by Hugh Gallacher, once of Chelsea, who when Scotland beat Ireland by 7-3 at Belfast in 1929 scored five times.

Soccer Transfers

TWO striking developments in the football transfer-market have been reported this week. It is reported that Sheffield Wednesday have made in offer to Derby County for Sammy Crooks, the international outside right. Sunderland have offered £22,000 for the Glasgow Celtic players—Crum, a centre forward, and Delaney, but have been informed that it is not a bit of use making the journey to Glasgow as the players could not be transferred. Although definite information of the Crooks negotiations was not forthcoming, Sheffield are hopeful of getting the players.

To Give Up Rugby

J. Reidy, the Irish international forward, is to give up Rugby in order to go in for serious coaching

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL CUP TOURNEY DRAW

The draw for the First Round of the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup football competition was made at the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council on Monday.

The draw will be re-made if Portugal, who are at present uncertain of competing, enter before the end of the week. The draw was as follows:

December 26

England v. Scotland (Kowloon), 4 p.m.

December 27

Ireland v. China (Club), 4 p.m.
The following were appointed convenors for the different countries: England, Mr. J. Skinner; Scotland, Capt. S. MacCormac; Ireland, Capt. S. MacCormac; China, Representative of Chinese teams.

INTERPORT WITH MANILA

The Council also discussed the possibility of establishing a permanent Interport Association Football series with Manila, who have written to the Colony expressing great keenness to pay a visit. The Hongkong Management Committee made certain proposals to Manila, who replied intimating that if they visited Hongkong, they hoped that Hongkong would reciprocate the gesture and visit Manila in April. The matter was referred to the Management Committee, who were empowered to proceed with negotiations.

TEAM TO TOUR AMERICA

London, Nov. 30.
The committee of the Scottish Football Association has recommended that a team be sent to tour Canada and the United States in 1939. Ratification is almost certain, with the team leaving on May 10 for a two-months' tour.—Reuter.

John Bromwich Carries Off N. S. W. Title

Sydney, Dec. 4.
The finals of the New South Wales tennis championships were a triumph for youth. In the men's doubles, John Bromwich and Adrian Quist beat Harry Hopman and Len Schwartz 8-6, 6-1, 3-6, 10-8. Bromwich beat his doubles partner, Quist, in the singles final 6-2, 6-4, 6-2. Miss Thelma Coyne defeated Miss Joan Hartigan in the women's singles championship 6-2, 6-2.

LUNCH SCORES

Durban, Dec. 6.
Cricket lunch scores were Natal 307 and M.C.C. 285-3 (Hutton 108).—Reuter Bulletin.

In field events. It was Franz Stampf, the Austrian coach in charge of the South London Harriers, who runs their headquarters at Coulsdon, who inspired Reidy by assuring him that he has real potentialities as a discus and hammer thrower. Reidy has been a prominent member of the London Irish Rugby pack for a good many seasons. He was capped by Ireland against Wales in 1937.

Kid Tanner Beaten

KID Tanner, British Guiana bantam and featherweight champion, was beaten for the first time by a British Boxer on Thursday night. He lost on points over ten rounds to Tommy Burns (Stockton), at Liverpool. Tanner had previously won twenty-one successive fights in this country. Tanner took his defeat in a splendid spirit. He was nursing a swollen left hand in the dressing room after the fight, and he said: "This is a good break for Burns. I thought I had won. I hope Burns can go on winning; then perhaps we can get together again."



Mrs. A. E. Southard, wife of the Consul General for the United States of America in Hongkong, pitching the first ball in the opening game of the Ladies' Softball League, which was inaugurated last Sunday. The match was that between the Filipino Club and the Club de Recreo. Mr. L. R. Hildebrando, President of the League, is looking on.—Photo by Ming Yuen.

DEANNA SCORES AGAIN

"That Certain Age" Wins Approval

"That Certain Age", a Universal production is a somewhat new style of story for that attractive little singer and actress, Deanna Durbin. The film, which was previewed yesterday morning, will commence local screenings at the Queen's and Alhambra, shortly. It is an excellent production and, in the opinion of this reviewer, should on no account be missed.

In this film, the screen development of Deanna Durbin has taken a further step for she now plays the part of a schoolgirl who imagines love with a weary reporter. In short, the film is a romantic comedy of adolescence. Edward Ludwig, the director, has handled this difficult subject with admirable tact and restraint.

Naturally, opportunities are made for the introduction of songs—for what Deanna Durbin film would be complete without them? Oddly enough, though, major interest is concentrated upon her ability to convey a state of adolescent romance that is touching and charming. The humour in the film is honest and straightforward and arouses hearty understanding laughter.

Deanna Durbin is the young girl, Alice Fullerton, who mixes with a gang of youngsters and is extremely fond of Ken (Jackie Cooper). A famous reporter, Vincent Bullitt (Melvyn Douglas), arrives to spend a holiday with her father. At first, Alice and the gang resent his arrival, but later the young girl ignores her friends and treats Ken with scant consideration in her efforts to please the new arrival. Eventually, her family realize the position and it is only after the welcome arrival of Rugby pack for a good many seasons. He was capped by Ireland against Wales in 1937.

Kid Tanner May Be A Champion

(Continued from Page 8)

However, Boon's manager is as confident as ever. He assured me that Boon can be matched with Danahar at 9st. 6lb. immediately over any distance. Mr. John Hardway, of the N.S.C. (who are providing Danahar with motherly guidance), stated that Danahar was equally keen to fight Boon.

WHY WAIT?

So what are they waiting for? Maurice Strickland having returned to New York, thus causing the collapse of his Empire heavyweight bout with Larry Gains (which would have collapsed, anyway), Gains claims the championship.

The Board might as well give it to him, and allow George James to challenge for it when he meets Gains at Cardiff on December 7. The men were matched yesterday. In any case, this fight offers James a big chance. Gains may be a veteran, but he is a formidable one, and a victory over him would be a fine feather in James's cap. If James surmounts this hurdle, Mr. Sydney Hulls will match him with the winner of the coming Harvey-Phillips contest.

young girl's dreams are shattered and she regains her accustomed high spirits.

Melvyn Douglas is delightful as the weary reporter whilst Irene Rich as the young girl's mother makes a welcome reappearance to the screen. It is many years now, since Irene Rich delighted film audiences. Jackie Cooper quite grown-up these days, is the young suitor. Special mention must be made of the delightful performance given by little Juanita Quigley as his persistent snail-sister.

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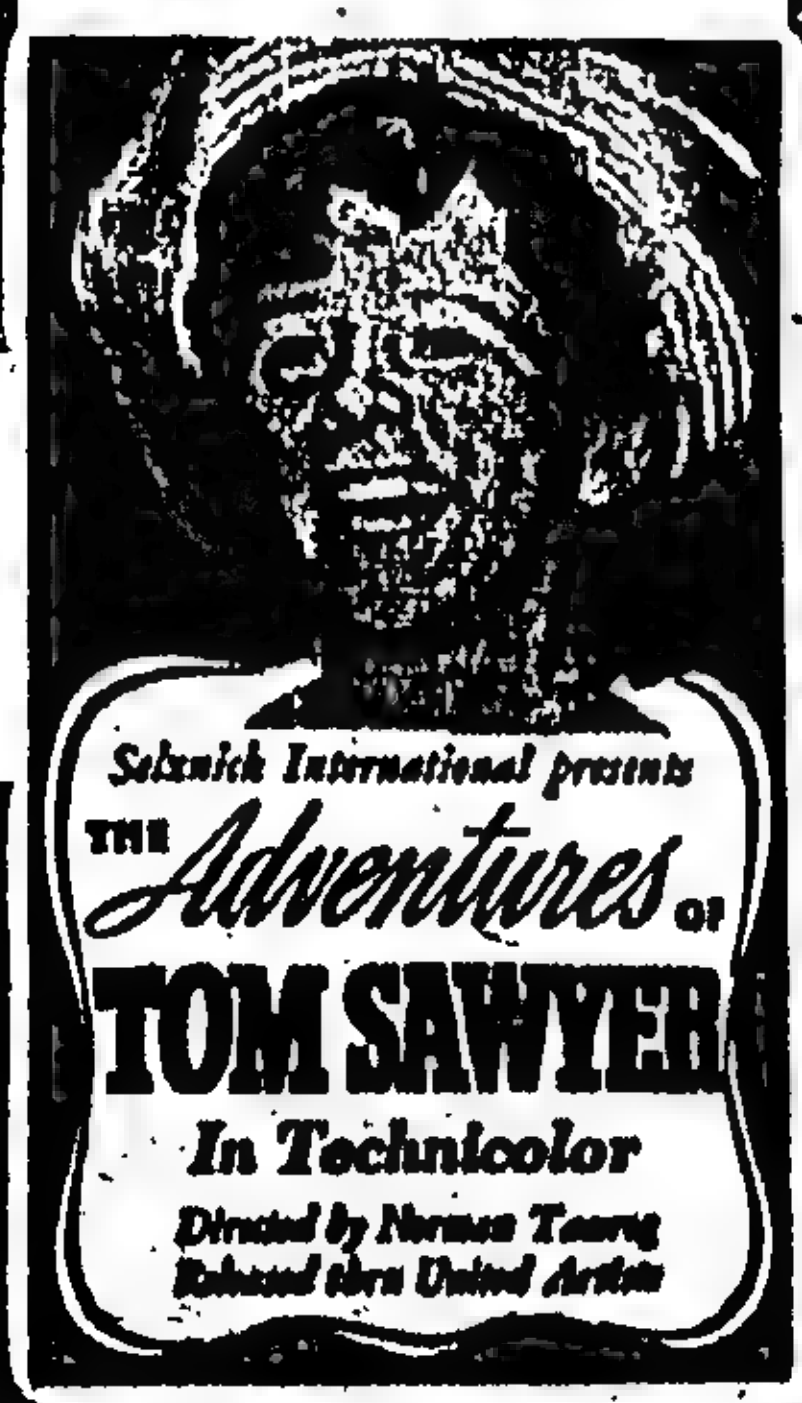
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A colonial defence league, pledged to oppose the return to Germany of any of the mandated territories in East Africa, formerly German colonies, is to be formed in London.

Already preliminary steps have been taken by prominent politicians and business men to organise it.

MANSLAUGHTER RULED OUT

BOY ACQUITTED
OF MURDER
CRIMINAL INTENT
AS ISSUE

GIRL'S BODY IN SACK

A schoolboy aged 13 appeared before Mr. Justice Asquith at the Central Criminal Court recently charged with the murder of Beryl Ann Osborne, aged four, whose body was found in a sack in a conservatory at the rear of a house near her home at Hazellville Road, Upper Holloway.

There were two women on the jury. After an absence of one hour and three-quarters the jury found the boy Not Guilty and he was discharged.

It was stated in evidence that the girl lived with her mother and grandmother. One day she was playing out of doors and she was missed. The next morning her body was found naked in a sack underneath a pile of attache cases in the conservatory. The child had been gagged and tied up.

The boy later made a statement, which Mr. G. B. McClure, for the prosecution, submitted was a confession that he killed the little girl.

DEFENCE SUBMISSION
Sir Bernard Spillbury said that in his opinion the cause of death was strangulation by a ligature around the neck. There was evidence of interference.

At the close of the case for the prosecution, Mr. J. F. Eastwood, K.C., leading counsel for the defence, submitted that there had been no evidence to rebut the presumption that a boy under 14 was incapable of a sufficient evil intent to commit a crime. He suggested that there was a question of manslaughter in the case.

Mr. Justice Asquith—Can you conceive a verdict of manslaughter on this evidence?

Mr. Eastwood—Yes. While it would clearly be murder in the case of an adult, if the jury were not satisfied that the boy expected death or grievous bodily harm to follow his tying up of the girl, but thought he knew it was an illegal act, then the jury might find a verdict of manslaughter.

The Judge said he would consult authorities on the question of manslaughter, about which he was a little puzzled. On the question of rebutting the presumption that the boy was incapable of discretion, he ruled that the case should go to the jury.

A NORMAL BOY
The accused boy did not go into the witness-box, and no evidence was given for the defence.

Mr. Eastwood, in his address to the jury, said he had called no evidence because he relied on the lack of evidence by the prosecution to show that the boy was an abnormal boy.

Counsel continued—"A child under eight cannot commit a crime according to our law. From the age of eight to 14 the law assumes that a child cannot have the necessary criminal intention which would justify a jury in finding him guilty of a crime, but evidence of abnormality takes them out of this rule of law."

Mr. Eastwood said his case was that the boy was normal and came within the rule. He continued that in these days of the cinema one did not know the effect on the infant mind of pictures where the hero, tied up with ropes, escaped at the eleventh hour.

Again, said counsel, hundreds of people were searching into sexual matters, particularly with regard to children. If, he concluded, the prosecution had satisfied the jury that the boy was abnormal they should then consider whether he knew that death or grievous bodily harm must result from this act. If they thought he did not know that, it amounted to a verdict of manslaughter.

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Ruth Etting, blues singer, who testified under oath in a Los Angeles court that she was not married to Myrl Alderman, wounded in a shooting at her home. Miss Etting's former husband, "Colonel" Martin (Moe) Snyder, is charged with assault and battery in connection with the shooting. Miss Etting has been sued for \$150,000 by Mrs. Alderman.

"I know Germany rejects the charge of unfitness to govern natives which was made against her after the war."

WIPED OUT

"It may well have been too sweeping, but we must not forget her deliberate extermination of the bulk of the Herero tribe in former German South-West Africa during 1903 and 1904, or the similar wiping out of something like 150,000 natives in the rising in East Africa against German rule during 1905 and 1906."

"These acts by Germany were taken as evidence of a temper, which, judging by the recent campaign of cowardly brutality against the Jews, seems, if anything, to have been accentuated under the Nazi regime."

In their plea for support from England, settlers in East Africa point out that if Germany is given back the surrendered colonies England will thus be providing her with air bases, harbours for submarines, an open road to Lake Victoria and the sources of the Nile, from which it would be possible to threaten the Sudan and Egypt.



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Mrs. N. L. SMITH OPENS RECENT BAZAAR



Group photograph taken at the opening of the recent annual bazaar held in aid of the Diocese of Victoria, Hongkong.—Mee Cheung.



The Diocesan Boys' School Shoo Shing Club who were a novel attraction at the recent bazaar held at St. Paul's College.—Mee Cheung.



Members of the Diocesan Boys' School Shoo Shing Club had a brisk trade at the recent bazaar.—Staff Photographer.



Dr. Katie Woo, Principal of St. Paul's Girls' College, and Mrs. N. L. Smith at the annual bazaar held recently in aid of the Diocese of Victoria, Hongkong.—Staff Photographer.



Mrs. N. L. Smith, accompanied by Dr. Katie Wood, Principal of St. Paul's Girls' College, arriving to open the recent bazaar held in aid of the Diocese of Victoria, Hongkong.—Staff Photographer.



Two tiny tots presenting Mrs. N. L. Smith with a bouquet of flowers after she opened the bazaar.—Staff Photographer.

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YAUMATI FIRE

Inquest Finds Cause Not Ascertainable

The inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of a man named Ip Kam, who died through multiple burns and shock received in the big fire in Shanghai Street, Yaumati, on November 17, concluded at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen acted as Coroner, with the assistance of a Jury comprising Messrs. J. Honne (Foreman), Lam Tit-hang and G. A. Gutterres.

The fire occurred in the early hours of the morning and caused the death of 12 persons, 11 of whom perished in the flames. One person died of injuries in hospital.

Yesterday, Cheung Seung, woman principal tenant of No. 277 Shanghai Street, the house which caught fire, said that she had approached the rent collector of the house some time before the fire concerning the installation of a ladder to reach the skylight in the kitchen as a means of escape in case of a fire. Nothing was done about it.

After being addressed by Mr. Macfadyen, the jury retired for a few minutes and returned the following verdict and riders:

"We find that the deceased Ip Kam died as a result of multiple burns sustained on the second floor of No. 277 Shanghai Street when the house caught fire. The cause of the fire is unknown, but it probably originated accidentally on the stairs between the first and ground floors.

"Rider 1: Some permanent and immovable form of fire escape, an iron ladder, should be provided to connect the ventilation hole with the top floor of such houses as are of similar construction to No. 277 Shanghai Street.

"Rider 2: Some form of fire escape, preferably an iron ladder or stairway, should be provided inside the house.

"Rider 3: The stairways already existing in this type of houses, which are of wood, should be replaced by stairs of some more or less non-inflammable material, and any partitions between the stairs and the rest of the house should be similarly replaced with non-inflammable material to give the same protection."

MATSHEDS DESTROYED

Hundred Squatters Lose Homes in Fire

A fire which swept through about 30 squatters' makeshifts at Tai Kok Tui early yesterday afternoon, engulfed and destroyed the homes of about 100 squatters, many of whom were crowded, flimsy erections constitute to the thickly-populated communities of which they are a part.

The alarm was raised about 1.30 p.m., but in half an hour, despite the combined work of the Shamshui Brigade and an engine crew from the Kowloon Fire Station, the blaze had wiped out an area approximately 100 feet by 30 feet. A few charred uprights and a jumble of blackened tin were all that remained of the humble habitations of about 100 people.

So far as the police could ascertain, no-one was injured in the fire, but as the firemen poured water on the ruins a number of women stood about bewailing a loss which could be covered by about \$100, but which involved their entire possessions.

There are between 2,000 and 3,000 similar makeshifts in the Tai Kok Tui area, and in the same section are several timber yards, a coal yard, and the A.P.C. petrol depot. Yesterday's fire is believed to have started during cooking operations in one of the huts, and these tinder-like structures are ever subject to the same danger.

The risk to other premises lies in the fact that a light slab of burning roof matting may be lifted by only a moderate wind and carried to nearby properties. The spreading of such a fire would be beyond the control of an army of fire-fighters. It is declared, one solution suggested is the allotment of certain areas to squatters very much in the manner of refugee camps, so that they could not erect their sheds in built-up areas.

This would allow of better surveillance of the squatters themselves, and give the police power to prevent the throwing up of their makeshift clusters in undesirable positions. It is pointed out.

AIR MAIL LATE

Delay in Europe Means Loss Here

A record load of outward mail, 700 kilos, was taken by the Imperial Airways planes Delta and Dardanus which hopped off from Kai Tak for Bangkok at dawn yesterday.

It is announced that the incoming mail, scheduled to arrive here today, has been delayed by a hold-up on the main European line.

It is expected the mail will be brought to Ventnor by to-night, and flown to Hongkong by noon on Thursday. If the mail is heavy enough, two planes will be used in the mid-week service.

Two planes bringing mail are scheduled to arrive here on Saturday afternoon.

Outward Passengers
The following passengers left aboard the Delta and Dardanus yesterday morning: Mr. W. Pawley, Messrs Hunter, Watzl, and Gurle.

GERMAN ENVOY ARRIVES IN PARIS

Complete Text Of Agreement

PARIS, Dec. 6.
HERR JOACHIM VON RIBBENTROP, German Foreign Minister, with his suite, arrived in Paris to-day for the signing of the Franco-German declaration.

He arrived at the Gare du Invalides, where he was met by M. and Mme. Bonnet, and other French officials. After an hour's visit to President Lebrun at the Elysee, Herr von Ribbentrop, accompanied by M. Edouard Daladier, the Premier, Herr von Ribbentrop was wearing the new German diplomatic uniform, which he has worn only once before, on his visit to Rome.

There were no anti-German demonstrations on his arrival in Paris. The station was decorated with tapestries, flowers, dwarf pine-trees, and Icarus, but no flags were flying in the streets, and no crowds gathered on the route from the station to the hotel.

Two thousand uniformed and plain-clothes policemen were on duty on the route.

Herr von Ribbentrop was greeted at the station by M. and Mme. Bonnet, while Republican guards formed a guard of honour.

Herr Ribbentrop told M. Bonnet: "I am very happy to be in France. I saw France all the morning in the magnificent sunshine."—Reuter.

TEXT OF DECLARATION

Paris, Dec. 6.
The Franco-German declaration which will be signed this afternoon by the Foreign Ministers of the two countries is, according to reliable information, worded as follows:

"The German Reich Minister for Foreign Affairs, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, and the French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, have on the occasion of their meeting in Paris on December 6, 1938, concluded the following agreement, in the name, and on behalf of their respective governments:

1. The German and French Governments are agreed in the conviction that peaceful neighbourly relations between France and Germany constitute one of the most essential elements of the consolidation of conditions in Europe, and of the maintenance of general peace. Both Governments will, therefore, devote all their efforts to bringing about and assuring the security of such relations between their two countries.

2. Both governments are agreed that no questions of a territorial nature are pending between their countries, and they solemnly recognize the existing frontiers dividing them as definite and final.

3. Both governments are agreed to terminate, subject to their special relations with third Powers, to remain in touch with each other concerning all questions which interest their respective countries, and to consult each other whenever the future development of such questions may lead to international difficulties."

DECLARATION INTERPRETED

The Franco-German declaration is interpreted in quarters closely associated with the German delegation accompanying the Foreign Minister as meaning that the Rhine, henceforth, no longer separates the two countries politically as it had done for centuries, but constitutes a connecting link between them, and that both countries are determined in the future to solve, in a spirit of mutual understanding, all problems of mutual interest concerning them.

Hence, according to this interpretation, the famous statement by Lord Baldwin, former British Prime Minister, that the common Franco-British frontier was on the Rhine, has lost its significance.

The same quarters point out the change which has come over Europe, notably in Franco-German relations since the signing of the Kellogg Pact in Paris by another German Foreign Minister, and they stress that the Franco-German declaration furnishes new evidence of the soundness of the principle of bilateral agreements.

It is further stressed that the extent of the transformation operated during recent years can be measured when it is recalled that in 1934 France considered the pact between Germany and Poland to be an act of treachery towards France, and towards the principle of collective security, whereas the French Government to-day regards the bilateral Franco-German declaration as an effective contribution to the maintenance of peace.

The Franco-German declaration should be regarded as expressing the policy of the authoritarian States. At Herr Hitler's wish the Rhine frontier has been pulled down, and it is impossible to foresee the possible consequences of the Franco-German declaration, the beneficial effects of which will make themselves felt in the years to come, not only for France and Germany, but for the whole world.

It is affirmed, in conclusion, that like all bilateral agreements entered into by the authoritarian States, the Franco-German declaration is not directed against any third Power.—Trans-Ocean.

Hams Keep 50 Years

Concord, N. H.
Well-preserved hams found in an oven unused for 50 years at the Frank P. Lovering house tasted sweet, though somewhat dry. The hams were discovered by masons tearing down an old chimney.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY

Armed Men Hold Up Kowloon Bus

A daring hold-up of a bus by two men armed with a revolver occurred while the vehicle was travelling along the main road between Yau Long and Sheungshui about 7 p.m. yesterday.

About \$65 in money was taken from the conductor, Wong Chan.

The men stopped the bus near the entrance to Fanling Lodge, and just after they had boarded the vehicle, one produced a revolver and forced the driver to stop. The armed man then covered the passengers while his companion rifled the conductor's bag.

The robbers were said to be about 30 years of age. They appeared to be local people, as they spoke with a village accent.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 3.15 p.m. yesterday, says:

The improvement in the tone of the market continued throughout the day. Buyers advanced their offers in the smaller price issues, but Sellers' response was poor.

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Hongkong Bank \$1,200
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H.K. Tramways \$17.10
Herr Ferry \$17½
China Lights (Old) \$10.90
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Habs
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H. & S. Hotels \$4.55
I.L.K. Tramways \$17.10
H.K. Electric \$30
Sundankan Lights \$10½
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GERMAN CAUTIONED

Arrives Without Visa On Passport

A German subject, Paul Stefan Loesmandl, residing at the European Y.M.C.A. Kowloon, was summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday for entering the Colony without a valid passport.

Detective-Sergeant P. H. Loughlin said that Loesmandl arrived in Hongkong on November 10, and immediately went to the Registration Office to register himself.

His passport contained no British visa, although Loesmandl had since obtained one.

Loesmandl said he had arrived from Hankow via Haiphong, and was not aware of the new regulation that Austrians and Germans were required to have British visas before entering the Colony.

He was cautioned.

DUKE OF WINDSOR

May Remain in England, Says Brother

Copenhagen, Dec. 6.
The Duke of Kent, who stopped here on his way to Oslo, answered: "Yes, I think so" when asked by reporters whether "the Duke of Windsor will return to and remain in England."—United Press.

QUEEN MAUD'S FUNERAL

Telegraphic information has been received by the Colonial Secretary's office from the Secretary of State for the Colonies that the funeral of Her late Majesty the Queen of Norway will take place on Thursday.

All flags on Government buildings and launches will be flown at half-mast from 8 a.m. to sunset on that day.

BISHOP SARGENT

Leaves for Foochow To Take Up New Post

Rt. Rev. C. B. R. Sargent, former Headmaster of the Diocesan Boys' School, left yesterday by the Seistan for Foochow, where he will take up his appointment as Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Fukien.

Bishop Sargent, who is well known for his talks over Z.B.W. on classical music, and also on the field of sport, first came to the Colony in 1932, when he succeeded the Rev. W. T. Fletcher as Headmaster of the Diocesan Boys' School. In 1935 he was ordained Priest, and last week was consecrated Bishop. He was appointed to his new post by the Archbishop of Canterbury in June last.

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"I'm Unique,"

Says Sadie

Sadie from Saudi-Arabia was the star of the London Zoo recently. She is a baby dromedary. She is housed now with her mother in the Elephant House overlooking the canal. Mother and father were presented to the Zoo by King Ibn Saud of Arabia on December 13, 1937; but father, alas did not survive the rigours of the English climate very long.

A dromedary, or one-humped camel, carries its baby for eleven months and three weeks before it is actually born. This posthumous child is undoubtedly a genuine product of the far-off Arabian desert, although she must be counted as a British subject by birth.

Fatima, Sadie's mother, is a fine dark brown racing dromedary, with long legs well suited to swift movement across sandy plains. At home in Arabia Fatima might have to go as much as sixty miles in a day with her rider. This would be about twice as far and as fast as the heavier breed of camel, who is absent built for slower movement but who can carry a very heavy cargo on its back.

Little Sadie has long legs, too—but very, very wobbly ones which bend pitifully in all directions when she takes a few steps on them. Her knees are simply enormous, like the knees of colts or growing boys. On the top of about three-foot length of leg there is about one-foot depth of body; also a graceful, curving neck and neat flat head.

She is an elegantly built baby in spite of this present difficulty with her legs. Her small frame is covered with an almost black curly coat. The coat is remarkably like the coat of an unclipped poodle puppy.

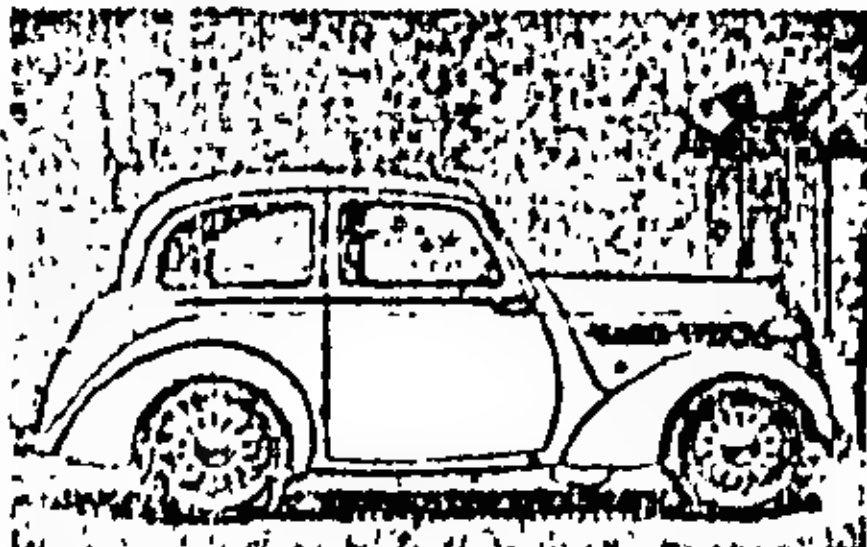
"Mother says she hasn't seen any other dark dromedary in England, and that I'm a unique baby," says Sadie. "I don't know what she means, but it sounds pretty fine, doesn't it?"

OFF TO INDIA

Mr. T. A. Mahtani, J.P., is leaving Hongkong for India on a short holiday by the P. & O. liner Canton on Saturday. He will be absent from the Colony for about 6 months.

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Japanese Trawlers In Dock Incident

CHINESE WORKERS at the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Company this morning downed tools and refused to work on repairs to two Japanese trawlers.

The vessels were docked yesterday. This morning the men were ordered to work but refused. Persuasion proved of no avail and the Company resigned itself to the attitude of the Chinese and no incident occurred.

The trawlers, owned by the Nippon Maritime Product Company, are still alongside the dock wall as they are not in a condition to leave immediately.

Hongkong dockers refused to do full repairs to the Asama Maru. It will be remembered, and that liner was taken to Japan after being sufficiently patched up to make the trip.

The two trawlers concerned in today's incident are considered by the workers to be engaged in the coastal warfare from Blas Day to Canton. The men feel that since trawlers have played such a large part in the Sino-Japanese war as armed craft and transports, besides molesting fishing, they are entitled to regard them as fighting ships. It would be unpatriotic to China to work on the trawlers, they say.

It is not known what repairs the ships need but they are believed to be fairly urgent.

Dud Cheques Land Publisher In Prison

Yap Sin-fatt, former manager of the Oriental Advertising and Publishing Company and publisher of a weekly sports magazine The Referee, was sentenced to six months' hard labour on six charges of obtaining goods and cash by means of false pretences, namely by issuing false cheques, by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Among the concerns, to which the defendant had given false cheques were Jimmy's Kitchen, La Perla Del Oriente Cigar Store, Messrs. Tsang Fook and Company, Queen's Dispensary, and Messrs. Gane Crawford, Ltd.

At the previous hearing the defendant admitted the six charges. Four other charges of fraudulent conversion were withdrawn by Detective-Inspector Hopkins, who prosecuted.

NO RIVER SERVICE
TO CANTON YET

An erroneous impression was created by a caption published under a photograph of the a.s. Pasha in yesterday's "Telegraph". The Pasha remains in Hongkong, where she has been since October 14. It is pointed out that no regular river service has yet started between Canton and Hongkong, the only sailing from Hongkong thus far being the a.s. Wudang with refugee supplies.

Duke Of Kent To Become Grand Master

Succeeding Uncle As
Masonic Leader

London, Dec. 7. The Duke of Cornwall is resigning his long-standing leadership of English Freemasonry next year.

He is to be succeeded by the Duke of Kent. The letter conveying his resignation as Grand Master, was read yesterday at the Grand Lodge Mark of Master Masons, when the Duke of Kent was nominated as his successor. It is understood that a similar letter will be read at the forthcoming meeting of the United Grand Lodge of England, and the proposal that the Duke of Kent succeeds him will again be proposed.—Reuter.

Britain's Bill In China Is £230,000

London, Dec. 6. Replying to a question in the House of Commons today, Mr. R. A. Butler said that the Foreign Secretary had no complete record of the ascertained British losses in China caused by the Sino-Japanese war, but the total figures for claims on the Chinese and Japanese governments actually presented so far approximated £230,000.

He added that the figure he gave in reply to the same question on April 6 last was based largely on estimates which, owing to the fall in exchange, had subsequently proved excessive.—Reuter.

Super Cargo Ships For Italian Fleet

Rome, Dec. 7. An extensive building programme of high-speed passenger and cargo ships is announced by the Societa Finanziaria Marittima, which controls 40 per cent. of Italy's mercantile tonnage.

The programme comprises 44 ships, eleven of which are 8,000 tonners allocated for Far Eastern trade. The first will be delivered in 1941.

All will be built largely by Government subsidy, and most will enjoy an operating subsidy.

The naval authorities have approved the plans of every ship, which include employment for six-inch guns both fore and aft.—Reuter.

Two Battleships

CONFIRMATION OF the exclusive prediction in a special article cabled to the Hongkong "Telegraph" yesterday by Mr. Hector C. Bywater, noted London Naval Correspondent, that a large Pacific Squadron would be created at Singapore was forthcoming from official sources last night.

During a defence debate in the Commonwealth House of Representatives at Canberra, the Australian Minister for Defence, Mr. A. G. Street, revealed that the British Government has already decided to create a new Pacific Squadron.

This squadron, which will include two battleships of the H.M.S. Nelson type, will be stationed at Singapore.

"The British Government has assured the Australian Government that this new fleet will be adequate for the purpose of defending the shores of Australia," the Minister declared amid cheers.

"Under these circumstances, the Australian Government has now decided not to proceed with the purchase of one or two capital ships from the British Government."

"Our decision has been prompted by the assurance made to us by Great Britain, this assurance being forthcoming after enquiries had been instituted in London with a view to purchasing the capital ship as an addition to the Royal Australian Navy."

Money which was to have been spent by Australia on the purchase and maintenance of a battleship would, the Minister added, be diverted to other defence channels.

£60,000,000 DEFENCE VOTE

The Minister then climaxed his dramatic revelation by announcing that the Federal Cabinet had decided to vote the record sum of £60,000,000 for expansion of armaments between 1939 and 1941.

The sum, he pointed out, represented a per capita obligation of £10 for every man, woman and child in the Commonwealth.

Expenditure on the Australian Navy will be expanded to £20,000,000, which is easily record.

It will provide for the construction at the Cockatoo Dockyards in Sydney of two destroyers of the Tribal class and twelve high-speed motor torpedo-boats.

Expenditure on the Army will be increased to £20,000,000, the highest in Australian peace-time history. The Australian militia, which at present totals 35,000 men, is to be doubled.

In addition, the sum of £10,500,000 will be expended on the Royal Australian Air Force. Provision is being made for an increase of the Australian Air Force to 18 squadrons, giving the Commonwealth a total of 212 first-line machines.

A base for naval aircraft will be constructed at Port Moresby, the capital of Papua.

It is significant that Port Moresby is in New Guinea less than an hour's flying-time from the former German mandated territory, and is also within striking distance of all Japanese South Sea Island possessions.

NEW SINGAPORE DOCK

Plans have been drawn up, in co-operation with the British Admiralty, for the construction of a second Singapore Dock at Sydney. This proposed dock will be capable of docking the largest battleship afloat, and is planned as an adjunct to Singapore.

Finally, it is planned to expend the sum of approximately £5,000,000 on munition factories, as part of the British Empire's decentralisation scheme for the production of munitions.

Munitions manufactured in Australian factories will be used by the British fortresses and garrisons at Hongkong and Singapore.

Of the total of £60,000,000 to be raised within the next three years for defence, Australia will borrow only £10,000,000.

For this purpose a Defence Loan Bill is to be immediately introduced

in Parliament. An unspecified portion of the £10,000,000 will be placed on the London market, and the balance in Australia.

BYWATER'S REPORT

In a special article in the Hongkong "Telegraph" yesterday, Mr. Hector C. Bywater, Naval Correspondent of the London "Daily Telegraph" revealed that the British naval estimates, which will be presented to Parliament next February, provide for considerably larger additions to the British Fleet than has been expected.

"The present standard of relative strengths between Britain's and other fleets, which provides for a maximum of 60 modern and ten old cruisers, is no longer considered adequate to meet defence requirements in Europe, the Near East and the Far East," Mr. Bywater cabled.

The new British plan, he added, contemplated a considerable strengthening of the position in the Far East, and items with reference to Hongkong and Singapore were likely to cause considerable surprise when the estimates were introduced.

Confidence Vote For Deladier

Socialist Protest
Is Rejected

Paris, Dec. 6. The French Premier, M. Daladier, today won the first test of strength since the general strike, when the Deputies Finance Committee by 26 votes to 18 defeated the Socialist protest against the application of sanctions against the strikers.

Communists and Union Socialists supported the protest, while the Radical-Socialists opposed it.

Meanwhile, it is expected the French Cabinet will face difficulties at the next meeting of Parliament on Thursday.—United Press.

600 Quakes In Pacific Last Month

During the period of the great earthquake disturbance in the Pacific Ocean between Japan and Alaska, over 600 earthquakes of varying intensity were recorded.

This is believed to be a world record.

In Hongkong alone, it was revealed this afternoon, over 80 earthquakes were recorded between November 4 and December 5. Five of the shocks recorded in Hongkong were of major proportions which, if they had occurred on land instead of on the bed of the ocean, would have occasioned great loss of life and destruction.

One earthquake of minor proportions shook Hongkong.

The 600 earthquakes recorded by Japanese seismographs were mostly imperceptible to any but the most delicate instruments.

Twenty-four, however, shook various parts of Japan.

Britain May Soon Act In Far East

LAST NIGHT the House of Lords listened to a long debate on China, in which Hongkong's current position was freely mentioned.

Lord Ellbank claimed that the principal reason for the Japanese occupation of Canton was to embarrass Hongkong's trade.

He urged denunciation of the Anglo-Japanese trade agreement, as reprisal for the obvious Japanese efforts to upset British trade in the Far East.

"I would close Hongkong to all Japanese ships and cargoes between Japan and South China, and thus effectively block Japanese trade with Canton," he declared.

Lord Plymouth, for the Government, admitted the unavailability of affairs in the Far East, and added that the British Government was contemplating a firm stand.

He revealed that Britain was standing four-square with France and the United States in whatever action would be adopted.

"The Government is prepared to consider all possible measures to safeguard British interests," he said.

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Frank Discussions Start In Tokyo

TOKYO, Dec. 7.

THE FOREIGN MINISTER, Mr. H. Arita is inviting the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, and the American Ambassador, Mr. Joseph Grew on Thursday, with a view to holding discussions in a frank manner regarding the principles of the Open Door and Equal Opportunity in China.

The discussions will be on the basis of the Japanese reply to the American note forwarded to Washington on November 18.

The Japanese Government's policy for the readjustment of Sino-Japanese relations, which was approved by an Imperial Conference on November 30, will be fully enunciated by the Premier, Prince Konoze, in the form of a public speech, which he is delivering in Osaka next Sunday.

The new policy is understood to have been designed to lay down fundamental principles for the disposal of various questions with foreign Powers arising from the China Incident in the light of the proposed new order in East Asia.

It is without precedent in the political annals of Japan that the Prime Minister makes public an important Government policy in a speech instead of releasing it in an official statement in a place other than Tokyo.—Domet.

Warships Sail Down Yangtse

Shanghai, Dec. 7.

Escorted by three Japanese warships, the U.S.S. Luxon, and the French sloop, Admiral Churner sailed from Kiangang at 7.30 a.m. yesterday, and arrived at Anking later, from whence it sailed for Wuhu, where it was due this morning, and for Nanjing, which will be reached this evening.

After a night spent at Nanking, the vessels will proceed to Chinkiang tomorrow morning.

The U.S.S. Monocacy is still at Kiangang.—Reuter.

CHEERLESS CHRISTMAS FOR TRINIDAD

Fire Destroys Supplies
From London

PORT OF SPAIN, Dec. 7. TRINIDAD WILL SPEND a cheerless Christmas.

Yesterday, eleven blazing lighters floating through the harbour spell a spectacular end to hopes of a merry festive season.

Aboard the lighters, and in a Customs warehouse which also caught fire, were the bulk of Port of Spain's Christmas stores, just unloaded from the monthly steamer from England.

Christmas hams, wines, spirits, turkeys, toys and all the other things associated with December were consumed in the fire, biggest seen in Trinidad for six years.

The lighters were finally towed to sea and sunk.—Reuter.

NAZI FILM CUT IN SINGAPORE

Singapore, Dec. 7. The film center has expurgated from the latest Paramount news-reel reference to Germany's anti-Jewish drive, and also an appeal on behalf of the Jews by Baron G. von Helldorf.

EXPENSIVE GREETINGS FROM HOME

P.M.G. Discloses Much
Surtaxed Mail Here

HUNDREDS OF CHRISTMAS CARDS and calendars in sealed envelopes which have been forwarded to Hongkong under the new all-up air mail scheme are now in the General Post Office in Hongkong waiting for surcharge to be paid.

Many of the cards and calendars were obviously meant to be sent by the old Suez steamer mail system—and many are plainly marked "via Suez"—but, unfortunately, the senders sealed the envelopes. They were therefore forwarded from Home by air mail.

In the case of some of the calendars and small packets, which have been so sealed, the postal authorities cannot inspect them, surcharge for over-weight are being charged to amounts up to \$7.50—double tax being claimed.

If the addressee in Hongkong refuses to accept delivery of the cards and calendars, they will be sent back to the country they came from and the sender will have to pay the deficiency. Under the postal administration laws, the sender can be summoned if he refuses to pay.

Already, hundreds of people in Hongkong are complaining at having to pay 30 cents or more on Christmas cards sent from England. There is apparently little knowledge of this new scheme in some of the provincial

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LATE NEWS

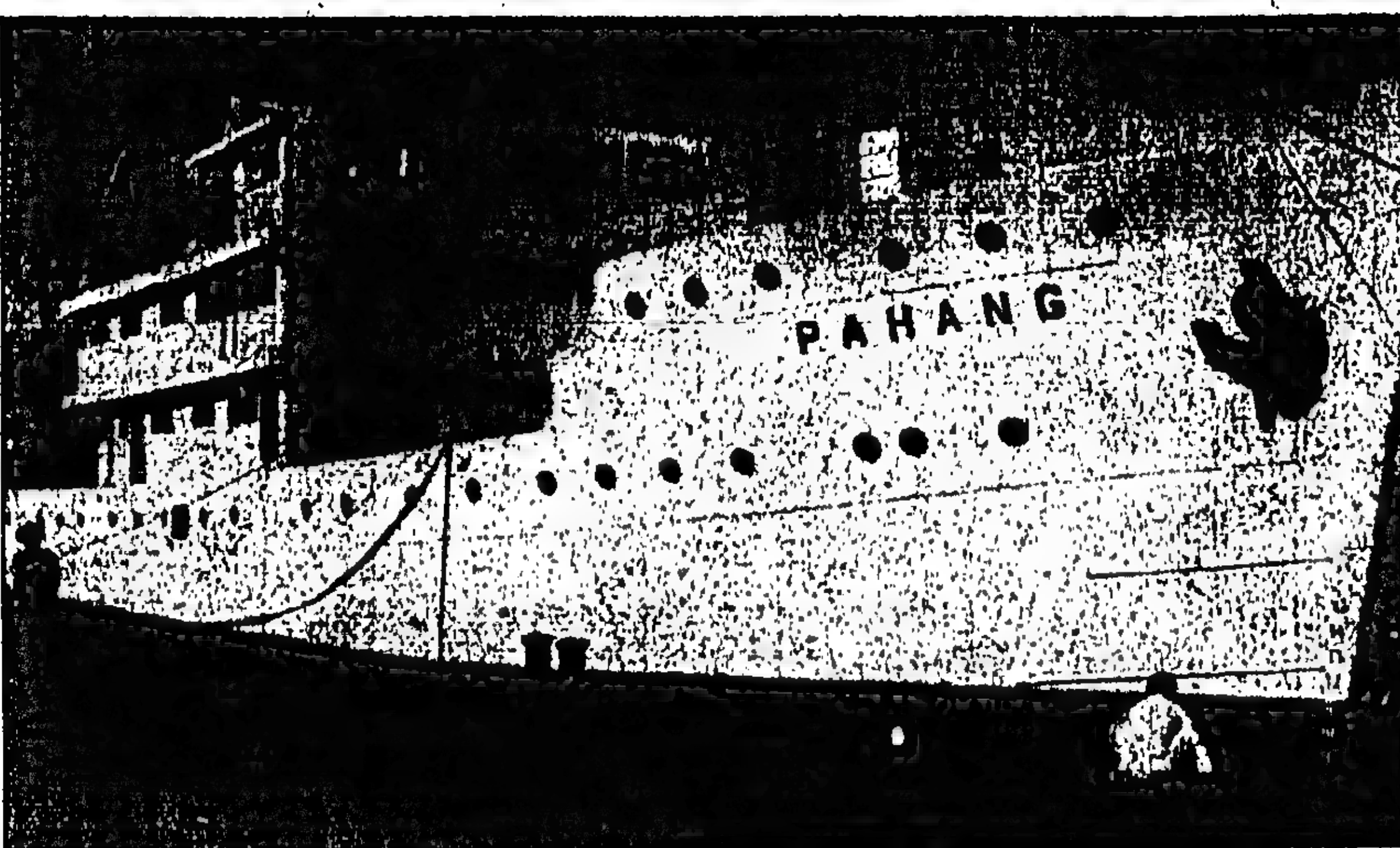
JAPANESE LAND AT YEUNGKONG

Over 800 Japanese from seven vessels have effected a landing on Chepo at Yeungkong, following a concentrated bombardment from the warships, according to the Sing Tao Jih Pao.

Yeungkong is situated on the western Kwangtung coast midway between Macao and Kwanabowoa at the mouth of the Adjuvane River.

It is a small town with Chinese coastal guards and the landing party in the vicinity, the paper said.

(Further Late News on Page 10.)



GRACEFUL LINES OF THE MOTORSHIP PAHANG, launched at the Takoo Dockyards this week. The ship was built to the order of the Straits Steamship Co. Ltd., of Singapore, and will be ready for service in February.—Staff Photographer.

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Condor Pilot Tells "Telegraph" Of Dramatic Plunge Into Sea

"Even Now, I Do Not Know Exactly What Happened to Us"

GERMAN AIRMEN HAD REMARKABLE ESCAPE

IN AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH THE "TELEGRAPH", GIVEN IN RESPONSE TO A CABLE TO OUR REPRESENTATIVE IN MANILA, CAPTAIN ALFRED HENKE, CHIEF PILOT OF THE CONDOR PLANE WHICH CRASHED AND SANK IN MANILA BAY YESTERDAY, GAVE A DRAMATIC STORY OF THE DISASTER.

"I WAS FORCED DOWN AT SEA"—See Page Six

"Two of the four engines died as the Condor was entering Manila Bay," Captain Henke told the "Telegraph" representative.

"Still, we managed to keep flying and had hopes that we would be able to reach our destination."

"Suddenly, however, the third engine began to lose pressure."

"There was nothing for it but to make a forced landing in the sea."

"Even now I do not know exactly what happened."

"All I can say is that I am glad nobody was injured."

Captain Henke added that the plane was not seriously damaged when it landed on the water, and he hopes that efforts to salvage it from its resting place, a hundred feet below the surface, will be successful.

Asked whether he would continue the flight to Germany if the plane is salvaged, Captain Henke told the "Telegraph": "That depends on what we find out."

The German pilot and his five companions were not depressed by the mishap.

"It's just one of these things that happen," Herr Junge said.

The six Germans arrived in Manila from the scene of their mishap, still wet and bedraggled from their involuntary immersion, at 7 p.m.

They were none the worse for their experience. Upon their arrival they proceeded to the German Consulate.

ONLY FIVE MINUTES FROM AIRPORT

"We were only five minutes from our destination when the engines commenced to peter out," another member of the crew told a "Telegraph" representative in Manila. "It was a question of landing, and landing quickly. We didn't even have time to try and land on the beach."

The pilots revealed that they managed to salvage most of their belongings as the plane sank beneath their feet.

Efforts to salvage the machines have already commenced, and it is hoped that they will be raised within two or three days.

Radio told a dramatic last-minute story of the disaster yesterday afternoon.

As exclusively stated in the Final Edition of the "Telegraph" yesterday, the plane was reported missing at 4 p.m., half-an-hour after the last routine radio signal was sent out to the Manila Airport.

When it became apparent that disaster had overtaken the airmen, the American Army sent out a flight of planes, commanded by Captain Mark Lewis, to search for the missing plane.

"SHE IS SINKING"

Almost simultaneously with the despatch of other search planes, Captain Lewis flashed the following dramatic radio message to Manila:

"I have sighted the Condor. She is slowly sinking."

Subsequently, Captain Lewis, in brief but vivid radio messages from his plane, flying over the sinking machine, told the complete story of

the rescue of the six occupants. Here are his messages:

"The crew are perched on top of the sinking machine. Fishing craft are preparing to rescue them."

"Despatch amphibians to effect rescue. Men all taken off by fishing craft."

"Condor disappearing. She is visible on bed of sea."

"Amphibian arrived, now descending near fishing craft."

"Crew taken off fishing craft. Returning Manila. All o.k."

The Condor lies about 200 yards off-shore between the mouth of Manila Bay and the U.S. Naval Base at Cavite, about ten miles from each point.

The Philippines authorities placed a police guard over the sunken plane last night as Filipino fishermen commenced to dive to obtain souvenirs.

But for the fact that Philippines regulations forbid planes from flying along a direct route from Corregidor to the Caballo Islands, the Germans would have reached their destination just as their engines commenced to peter out.

As it was, the extra five minutes necessary to make a detour from the fortified zone was sufficient to plunge them into the sea.

FIRST TO ESCAPE

It is interesting to note that the six Germans are the first airmen to be rescued from the clutches of the Pacific Ocean.

Brophy, flying from Hongkong to Manila; Charles Ulm, flying from Canada to New Zealand; Amelia Earhart, flying from New Guinea to California; and Kingsford Smith, en route from England to Australia, were never seen again after they were lost in the vast expanse of ocean that borders three continents.

Naval Arsenal Site In H.K.

Question In Commons

London, Dec. 6.
"Is it intended to re-purchase the Naval Arsenal site sold to the Hongkong Government last year?" asked Lieut. Commdr. Fletcher in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Shakespeare, for the Government, replied that the site of the old Arsenal-yard in Hongkong, which was vacated on terms agreed with the local Government, was never the property of the Admiralty. Therefore no question of re-purchase arises.

Enquiries were recently made by the Admiralty in regard to terms, on which possession of part or whole of the site could be acquired; but no decision on the matter has yet been taken.—*Reuter*.

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AUSTRALIA'S NEXT "VICEREINE"



The Duchess of Kent walking to her seat in the Granada Cinema, Clapham Junction, on arriving to attend a presentation of the film *Letter of Introduction* which was given in aid of charity. Needless to say, the nine-pennies and one-and-sixpennies were packed, but not at the usual prices.

France Fortifies Disputed Colony

ROME, Dec. 6.

FRENCH TROOPS are busily engaged in throwing up trenches along the frontier separating Tunisia from Italian Libya, according to a despatch to the "Giornale d'Italia." The paper recalls that the same action was taken during the September crisis.

French Unions Willing To Co-operate

PARIS, Dec. 6.

The readiness of the Confederation of French Trade Unions to re-establish social peace is expressed in a resolution of its executive committee, which declares that the Confederation is prepared to enter into "any discussions conducive towards putting an end to the conflict."

The resolution declares that in face of the national and international situation, it is necessary to bring an end to the "social troubles engendered by the illegal and repressive measures of the Government and employers, and to restore the urgently-needed industrial peace."—*Reuter*.

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In the course of a demonstration at the Fascist Party offices, the Secretary of the Party declared: "Fascists still have accounts to settle which will be settled. One day Italy's claims will be met."

The tone of the address is reported to have been very violent. Students, however, gave the appearance of enjoying an authorized lark, rather than having serious political designs. They were as eager to shout compliments to pretty shopgirls in the windows as they were to cry "Down with France." Spectators also seemed to be indifferent.

The organized character of the demonstrations is shown by the fact that the Tribuna announced the demonstrations before hand.

Students in Milan, Turin and Genoa made similar demonstrations before the French consulates, and distributed leaflets.—*Reuter Special*.

B.B.C. COMMENTS ON AGITATION

London, Dec. 6.

Italian agitation over Tunis, Nice and Corsica was referred to in the B.B.C. foreign language broadcast to-night, when the following broadcast was made in Italian, French and German:

"A sequel to the demonstration in the Italian Chamber has been a virtual unanimity of the British press and British public opinion in support of the French protest against the agitation in Italy on behalf of the cession of Tunis, Nice, and Corsica."—*Reuter*.

TENSION EASER

Rome, Dec. 6.

Desolate anti-French demonstrations in Rome and other cities, the newspapers give the impression that the tension regarding Tunis is a trifle

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VOLUNTARY SERVICE PLANS REVEALED

LORD PRIVY SEAL OUTLINES SCHEME FOR HOME DEFENCE

New Type Of Training For A.R.P. Wardens

LONDON, Dec. 6.

SIR JOHN ANDERSON, opening a debate in the House of Commons to-day on voluntary service plans, disclosed that discussions on the lists of reserved occupations with employers and representatives of workers had already been initiated.

From January 1 there would be training with regard to incendiary bombs and high explosives, and 240 fully qualified instructors per month would come from the schools and would be able to expand the training in localities.

Sir John Anderson announced that the training of wardens was being reorganised to include instruction in incendiary bombs, elementary first aid and exercises in the working of a communications system.

Special arrangements were being made for the training of first-aid parties with the assistance of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, and the British Red Cross Society.

No difficulty was expected in the large areas about the training of firemen.

A beginning had already been made in the setting up of an organisation necessary for recruiting. Nothing in the nature of a "voluntary campaign" was thought necessary, having regard to the recruits already available.

The National Voluntary Register would include a register of people with special administrative qualifications. There would be a special register of those with exceptional scientific and professional knowledge, and this was already being compiled by professional bodies and the universities.

Sir John Anderson revealed that about 30,000 volunteers would be engaged to facilitate compilation of the complete register if necessary in an emergency, and the cost would be £10,000 for the whole country.

A complete register on the eve of an emergency would cost £250,000. Sir John concluded: "There is in the register no sinister purpose, no ulterior motive, and nothing to enable some future Government to do something prejudicial to the interests of some class or section of the community. I see no possibility of getting a united nation behind a compulsory system in peace-time, and there is necessity for one."—*Reuter*.

KILLED FOR NOT REPLYING TO NAZI SALUTE

Kuonase, Dec. 6.
A Lithuanian was killed by two Memel Germans when he refused to reply to a Nazi Salute.

The Lithuanian Government has withdrawn the Security Bills from Parliament in order to avoid the complications regarding Memel affairs.—*Reuter*.

ROOSEVELT RETURNS FROM HOLIDAY

Washington, Dec. 6.
President Roosevelt returned from his holiday at Warm Springs, Georgia, to-day.

He immediately summoned Mr. Sumner Welles, the Under-Secretary of State, and also the Ambassadors of Germany, Italy and France for what is described as a general discussion and an exchange of views on the international situation.—*Reuter*.

Communists Renew Pledge Of Support For Chiang Kai-shek

CHUNGKING, Dec. 6.
THE COMMUNIST NEWSPAPER, the New China Daily has published a telegram sent to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, and enlarged at the Sixth Plenary Session of the Communist Party, dated November 5, which in part declares:

"We have read your message to the nation revealing your determination to continue resistance. The Communist Party is glad to offer ardent support. Under your supreme leadership, China in the past 10 months has scored unprecedented unification and progress.

"The Chinese Communist Party is sticking to the recent advocacy to support you, our nation's supreme leader, and to support the three principles of the people.

"The Communist Party has ordered all members to exert efforts to consolidate a long-term union between the two parties for national unification on the political basis of the three principles of the people."

The paper also published a telegram sent to the Eighth Route Armies, encouraging them and urging them to continue the good work behind the Japanese lines, and praising them for the recovery of territory, and the establishment of political and military bases behind the Japanese lines.—*United Press*.

Plight Of British Firms In Far East

LONDON, Dec. 6.

SIR ROBERT RANKIN in the House of Commons to-day declared that as a result of the recent occurrences in the Far East, some British manufacturers were considering the necessity of appointing Japanese firms to handle their business in China, because it was thought that circumstances might make it impossible for British concerns to serve their interests effectively.

He asked what steps were being taken to safeguard the interests of British trade in this connection.

Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, replied that his attention had not been called to this situation, but he would be happy to consider any specific instances to which Sir Robert Rankin might draw his attention.—*Reuter*.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

Banks
H.K. Banks, \$1400 sa.
H.K. Bank (Lon. Reg.), £83 n.
Chartered Bank, £9½ n.
Mercantile Bank, A. & C., £27½ n.
Mercantile Bank, C., £13 n.
East Asia Bank, \$88 n.

Insurance
Canton Ins., \$210 sa.
Union Ins., \$487½ b.
China Underwriters, 75 cts. n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$190 n.

Shipping
Douglas, \$80 b.
H.K. Steamships, \$18 n.
Indo-China (Prof.), \$60 n.
Indo-China (Def.), \$24 n.
Shell Bearers, s/- 81/10½ n.
Union Waterboms, \$9 n.

Docks Etc.
H.K. & K. Wharves, \$117 n.
H.K. Docks (old), \$18½ n.
H.K. Docks (new), \$17½ n.
Provident (old), \$5.80 n.
Provident (new), \$5.60 n.
New Engineering Sh., \$4.80 n.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$100 n.
Kailan Mining Adm., s/- 10/6 n.
Rauks, \$9.10 b.
Venz: Goldfield, \$3 n.
Hongkong Mines, 7½ cts. n.

Philippine Mining
Antamok, P. 47 sa.
Atoks, P. 26½ sa.
Baguio Gold P., 25½ sa.
Benguet Consol., P. 13.10 sa.
Coco Grove, P. 50 sa.
Consolidated Mines, P. —

Pan-American Airways Sued For \$300,000

Los Angeles, Dec. 6.

Mrs. Musick, widow of Captain Musick, who lost his life in the loss of the Samoa Clipper, has filed a \$300,000 damage suit in the Federal Court against Pan-American Airways.

She charges that her husband's death as a result of the Clipper disaster was the result of the company's "negligence, carelessness and riskiness."—*United Press*.

Confidence Vote For Belgian Cabinet

BRUSSELS, Dec. 7.

THE CHAMBER to-day continued its consideration of the Belgian Cabinet position, following the rejection by the Labour Party of the Government's decision to send an agent to General Franco's Government at Burgos.

Following the declaration by the Prime Minister, M. Paul Spaak, to the effect that the Government will not resign unless defeated, the Chamber accorded the Government a vote of confidence by 111 to 49, with 21 abstentions.

Socialists and Communists voted against the Government, while the Flemish Nationalists abstained.—*Reuter*.

Italy And The Suez Canal

London, Dec. 6.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, said in the House of Commons that no communication had taken place with the Italian Government regarding the administration of the Suez Canal.

Asked if the matter would be discussed during his visit in January to Rome, the Prime Minister said he was not prepared to make any statement.—*Reuter*.

Demonstrations, P. 28 sa.
IX.L., P. 69 sa.
Paracale Gumaus, P. 12 sa.
San Maurice, P. 1.80 sa.
Suyce Cement, P. 10½ sa.
United Paracales, P. 50 sa.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$0.05 sa.
H.K. Lands, \$35 b.
H.K. Lands 4% deb. 107½ n.
Shanghai Lands, Sh. \$9.30 n.
Humphreys, \$8½ n.
H.K. Realities, \$3½ n.
Chinese Estates, \$98 n.

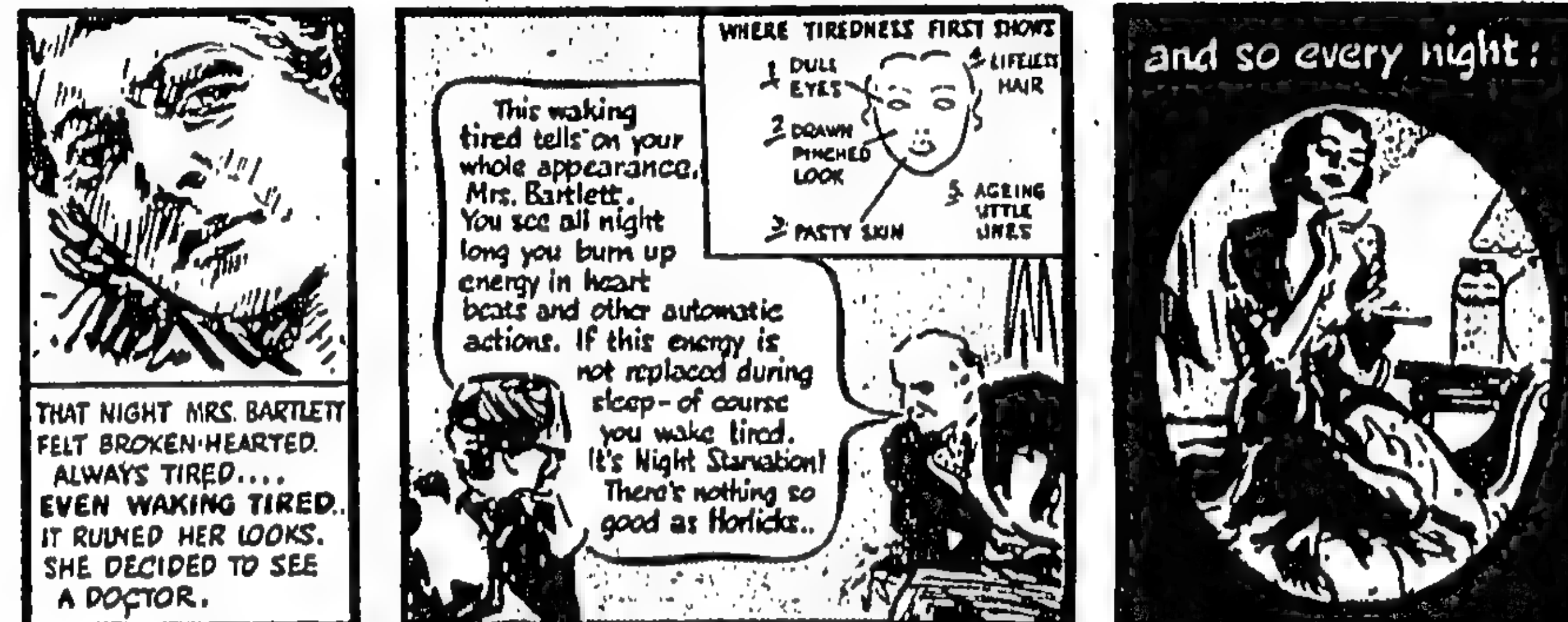
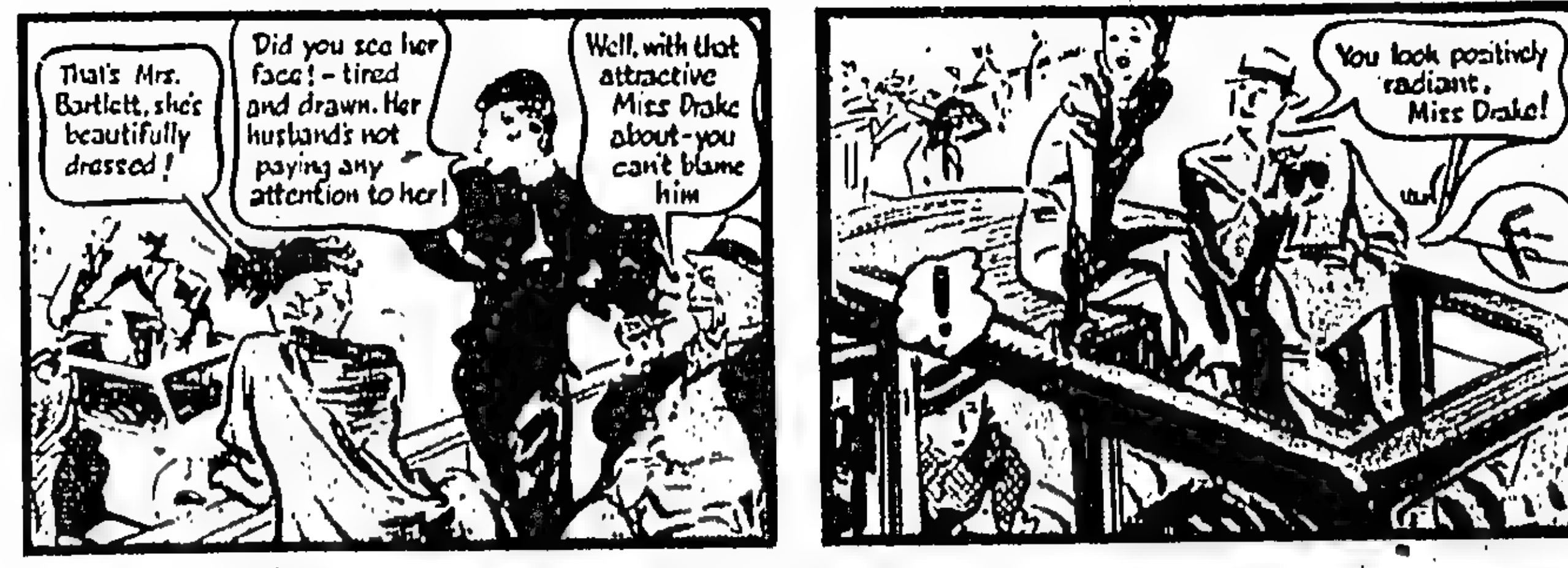
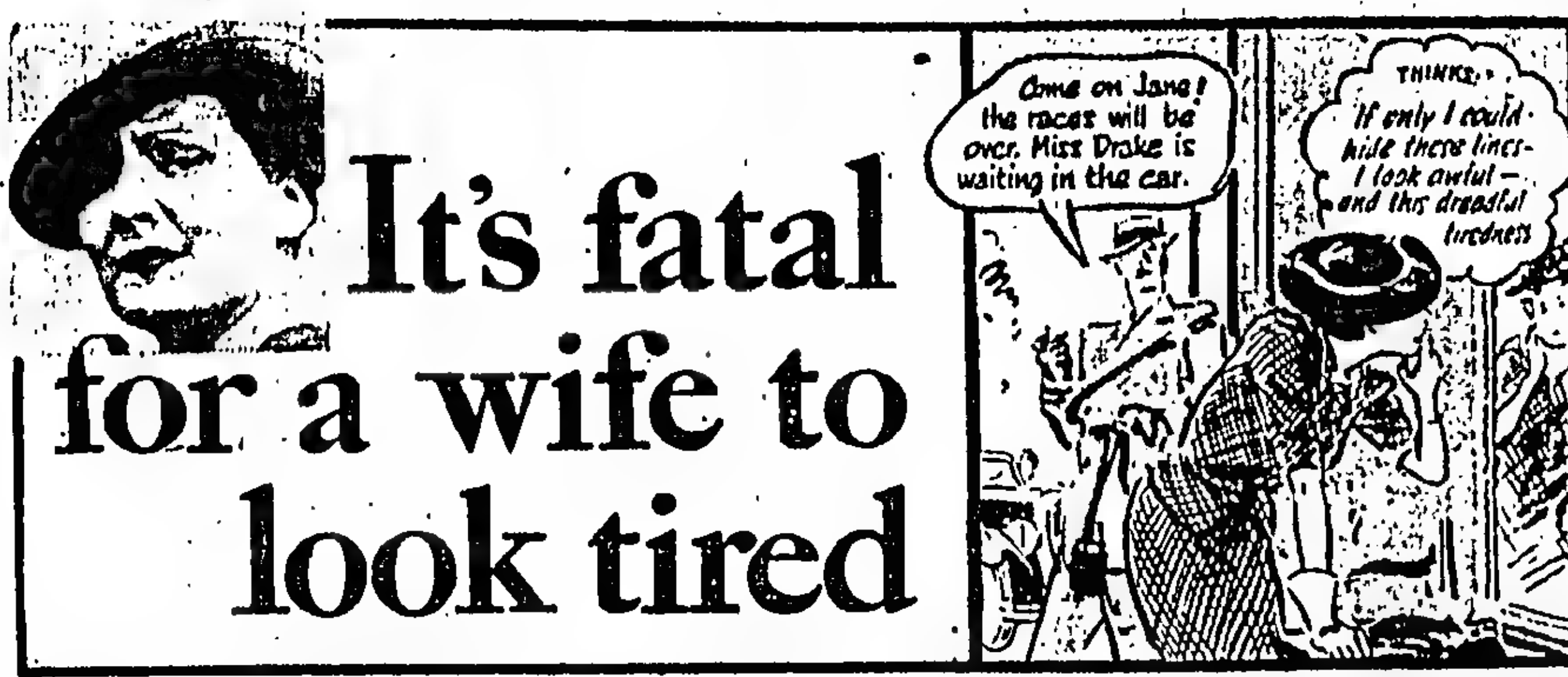
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H.K. Tramways, \$17.10/20 sa.
Peak Trams (old), \$6¼ n.
Peak Trams (new), \$3¼ n.
Star Ferries, \$7¼ b.
Yaumati Ferries (old), \$23 n.
Yaumati Ferries (new), \$22¼ n.
China Light (old), \$10.00 n.
China Light (new), \$10.00 n.
H.K. Electric, \$58 n.
Macao Electric, \$17½ n.
Sandakan Lights, \$10½ b.
Telephone (old), \$23.50 b.
Telephone (new), \$8.00 n.
Singapore Traction, s/- 21/3 n.
Singapore Pref., s/- 25/- n.

Industrial
Cald: Macg. (ord), Sh. \$14 n.
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Cements, \$15½ n.
H.K. Ropes, \$4.65 s.

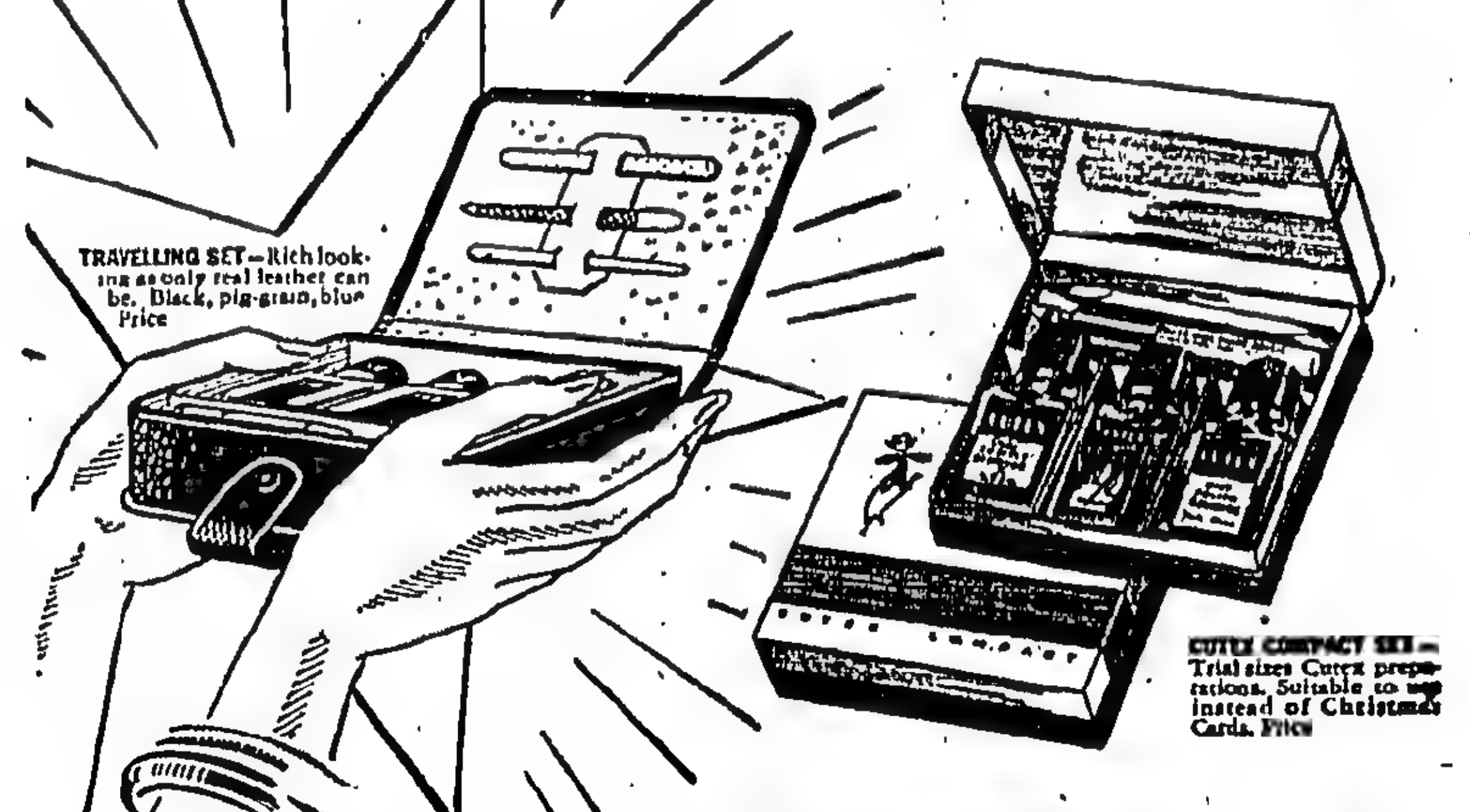
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Dairy Farms, \$25 n.
Waiwau, \$7.10 n.
Lana Cravords, \$8¼ n.
Sinceres, \$2 n.
Wing On (H.K.), \$30 n.
William Powell, Ltd., 90 cts. n.

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Shai Cotton Sh. \$108 n.
Zoong Sings, Sh. \$24 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$40 n.

Miscellaneous
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Constructions, \$1¼ n.
Vibro Piling, \$7 n.
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H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 6% prm. b.
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Marsmans (Lon.), s/- 10/8 n.
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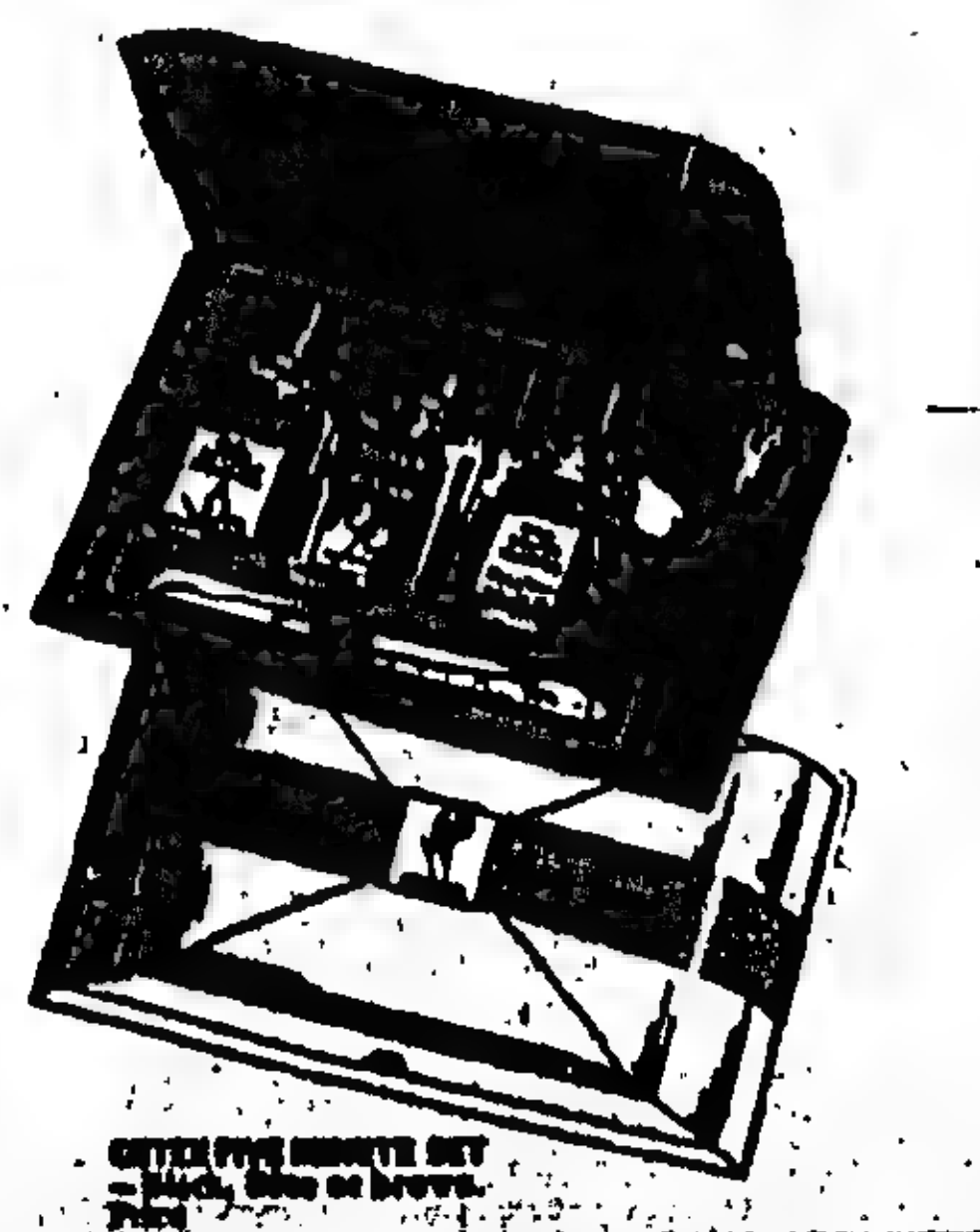
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I AM A
MARTYR
SHOUTS
WOMAN

Dramatic French Trial

PARIS, Dec. 6. SHOUTING, "I am a martyr. Heaven knows how I am suffering." Madame Skoblin collapsed over the dock rail after a barrage of questions which had been put to her regarding the whereabouts of General von Miller.

When asked whether General von Miller was alive or dead, Madame Skoblin turned to Madame von Miller who was sitting sadly in the well of the court and exclaimed emotionally, "I swear I know nothing about your husband."

Madame Skoblin related to the court how she had risen from a humble peasant girl in Ukraine and became one of the most famous opera singers in pre-war Russia.

The feature of to-day's proceedings was a series of witnesses who alleged that the Soviet Embassy in Paris used a private house in Auteuil to take the kidnapped General von Miller with the aid of General Skoblin who acted as his right-hand man and his wife.

It was alleged that General von Miller was murdered and his body put aboard a Russian ship at Le Havre.—Reuter.

ACCUSED'S HISTORY

Madame Skoblin was born in 1880 near Kursk and, during a tour with a company who rendered folk songs,

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J. T. HAGRAM,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1938.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF
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What to do to help a child

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she married one of the tenors. Later, the marriage was dissolved and she married an officer named Plevitzky. During the war she served as a nurse. During the revolution, she met General Skoblin and, after the dissolution of her second marriage, she wed Skoblin. After travelling for several years, they finally settled in Paris where she won new fame as a singer of Russian folk songs.

Her husband became the head of the counter-espionage service of the Russian army emigrés. When, last year, General von Miller, head of the Russian officers' league in Paris, vanished, suspicion fell on General Skoblin, who disappeared.

Madame Skoblin was then arrested. Her statements were so contradictory that she was suspected of knowledge of General von Miller's fate. Whilst in gaol, she continually asked for a green Bible which was in her home. The police found in it a code which they believed to be that used by her husband as a Soviet agent.

Hongkong's Water Shortage
Is "Not Very Serious"Supply Is
Sufficient
For Needs

Official Statement
By Authorities

25th DAY OF
DROUGHT

HONGKONG'S 25th consecutive day without rain, this morning produced from the Colony's water authorities the statement that although the year, especially the last few weeks, had been exceptionally dry, the water situation is not regarded as being "very serious."

"Although little useful rain is expected at this time of the year," declared Mr. A. B. Purvis, Executive Engineer in charge of the Water Works, "we can, with the present supply of water, and the restrictions of an eight-hours supply daily, carry on until next May. By that time we should have a plentiful supply of water stored as a result of the March rains."

Mr. Purvis pointed out what was emphasised in the Telegraph yesterday that since October 15 only half an inch of rain had fallen in Hongkong, and none had been recorded this month to date.

In his opinion, it has been an exceptionally dry year, but he is confident that there is no cause for alarm.

Part of this statement is substantiated by the latest report issued by the Royal Observatory, which indicates that no rain fell during the past 24 hours, and that the Colony has now been 25 days in succession without any rainfall. The total for the year is nearly 29 inches below average, which is phenomenal, and one has to go back to 1901 for any comparison.

NO CHANGE LIKELY.

Neither does any break in the present drought appear likely. The local weather forecast issued at 10 o'clock this morning indicated north-east winds, fresh; fair, and there is no depression around the place.

The weather report stated that the anti-cyclone is stationary over China and South Japan, and the depression is situated about 350 miles S.E. of Manila, moving westward, which places it at least 700 miles from the Colony.

Incidentally the temperatures remain fairly high in view of the time of the year. Yesterday's maximum was 70, and the minimum 63. This morning the thermometer registered 67, while humidity was 71 per cent.

EXPENSIVE
GREETINGS
FROM HOME

(Continued from Page 1.)

post-offices where sealed envelopes, intended for transmission by Suex, are accepted without notifying the senders of the new scheme.

IGNORANCE AT HOME

Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones, the Postmaster General in Hongkong, in discussing this problem, this morning stated: "Many of the provincial post-offices at home are obviously ignorant of this first class mail system. The postal charges on letters and cards are 1½d. per half ounce. A penny is reckoned to equal 30 gold centimes and that, as near as makes no difference, is 30 cents Hongkong money."

"We have had quite a number of refusals to pay this surcharge and, therefore, the letters are returned, unopened, to their country of origin and the sender asked to pay the tax."

"Any envelope which is sealed, automatically goes by first class mail and, therefore, should be paid for at 1½d. per half ounce. Small packets must be so prepared for mailing that they can be examined by the postal authorities. They must be marked 'small packet', have the sender's name inscribed on the outside and bear a green label stating contents and value."

The Postmaster General also explained that when parcels are posted they must not contain letters with more than four words. Photographs and small packets must be so prepared that the postal authorities can examine them.

At home, several small packets have, apparently, been handed over for transmission by ship, but the post offices have mistakenly sent them by first class mail.

HONGKONG NOT CHINA

"In some cases, also," said the Postmaster General, "quite a large

Students Bid
Farewell To
Former "Head"

Students of the Diocesan Boys' School were among the large gathering at the sailing of the S.S. Seistan yesterday, when the Rt. Rev. C. B. R. Sargent, Assistant Bishop of Fukien, and former headmaster of the D.B.S., left to assume his new duties. These pictures were taken just before he sailed. On right is a happy snap of Bishop Sargent shaking hands with a pupil, and below, D.B.S. scholars lustily singing a hymn before the ship pulled out.—Photos A. A. Khan.

Sennet Freres
Jewel Robbery
Court SequelCharge Against Chinese
Is Dismissed

A Northern Chinese, Chen Ping, accused of the theft of two diamond rings valued at \$3,800 from Messrs. Sennet Freres on November 29, and alternatively charged with receiving a diamond ring, knowing it to be stolen, and with illegally pawning it, was discharged by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Chen claimed that on the morning of November 29, a friend of his, named Wu, called at his residence at Jervois Street, and asked him to go out for walk. When near the Tai Foo pawn-shop, Wu asked him to pawn a ring for him.

On the first charge of larceny, his Worship held that the defendant had no case to answer. After the defendant had given evidence, his Worship remarked that there was a reasonable doubt that the defendant knew the ring was stolen property.

POPE PIUS
IMPROVES

Vatican City, Dec. 6. The Pope, whose condition has improved, went for a drive in a motor car in the Vatican Gardens this afternoon.

This is the second time His Holiness has been out of doors since his recent illness.—Reuter.

number of provincial post offices do not realize that Hongkong is not China.

"It is best for people at home not to write 'China' on their Hongkong envelopes as these envelopes are often sent to China and are, therefore, delayed in arrival here."

"It is best, also, for both Hongkong and Home senders to write their name and address on the back of their letters. This will ensure that the letters, if undelivered, will be returned unopened."

The main point to remember is that all sealed envelopes are automatically sent by first class mail and will be charged accordingly.

Where are the Chinese Armies
Ask Residents in CantonGUERRILLAS MAKING
PRESENCE FELT

(By Our Own Correspondent)

THE DUTIES of the foreign staff of the Maritime Customs are not very onerous these days. Only foreign employees go to the Customs House, and they work in two shifts, one half being on duty in the forenoon, and the other half in the afternoon. No vessels are being boarded, duty is not being collected from any one, and so there is little for the staff to do.

Occasionally a declaration forms have been passed out to be filled in by passengers on ships coming up from Hongkong, but it was observed that they were not handed out when H.M.S. Robin arrived yesterday.

Of course little has been carried on the gunboats that is doubtful, so it makes little difference whether an entrant signs a customs' declaration or not.

A newsmen is expected to know what the armies are doing, but came up in Canton a reporter is at a loss how to reply to the standard question with which is greeted so frequently, "Where is the Chinese Army?" From what Chinese coming in from the country have to say, the Japanese are not making much of a drive up the west. What Japanese military detachments seem to be occupying themselves with in the main is chasing armed groups of Chinese that have been in too close proximity to their own lines.

Regulars and guerrillas have been harassing the Japanese, and the idea seems to be to exterminate these troublesome contingents, or to drive them far from the places which the invaders are holding.

Despite the oft-repeated statement that a Kwangsi campaign is now in order, it does not look as if it will be carried out this winter.

The Japanese have voluntarily relinquished Pingchow. A friend came through Pingchow only yesterday, and there were no soldiers around, either Chinese or Japanese.

Night raids are being conducted here by the guerrillas. The crack of many rifles was heard last night, as on the several preceding nights, but your correspondent was unable to find out where the exchange of rifle bullets took place. It was very close to Shamtau though.

December 9. Many beautiful Chinese silks, Ivories, jades, etc., have been presented by Madame Sun Yat-sen, and Mr. T. V. Soong for the benefit of the International Peace Hospital, for which already £1,000 has been collected.

The British China Relief Fund, formerly the Lord Mayor's Fund, now tops the £150,000 mark, and a special Christmas appeal is being issued on its behalf.—Reuter.

The China Campaign Committee is holding a Christmas bazaar on

Canton
Refugees
Receive
Big Gift

(From Our Own Correspondent)

CANTON, Dec. 4.

A BIG encouragement was given to the committee in charge of refugee relief in Canton last Friday when the American Red Cross remitted U.S. \$25,000 for the work of the committee. Other donations have also been received lately and have considerably helped in the task of alleviating the plight of the thousands of refugees.

With the approach of winter, a large influx of Chinese who left the city recently is expected, and feeding them promises to be a big problem.

However, the various churches, as well as the central committee under whose direction they are co-ordinating their efforts, have carefully made plans to deal with such a contingency.

Another encouraging factor is that the Canton Hospital, which closed down when the Japanese occupied the city, is re-opening, and the plan is to have a large number of relief centres in the city.

The various religious denominations have their own property in the city where work can be carried on.

It is estimated that there are between 40,000 and 60,000 Chinese at the present. Across the river, especially at Fanchuan and Fatchi, the population is quite big, and there seems to be little difference to-day to what it was three months ago.

INTERNATIONAL
FOOTBALL CUP
TOURNAMENT DRAW

The draw for the First Round of the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup football competition was made at the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council on Monday.

The draw will be re-made if Portugal, who are at present uncertain of competing, enter before the end of the week. The draw was as follows:

December 20

England v. Scotland (Kowloon), 4 p.m.

December 27

Ireland v. China (Club), 4 p.m.

The following were appointed convener for the different countries: England, Mr. J. Skinner; Scotland, Capt. S. MacCormack; Ireland, Cpl. S. MacCormack; China, Representative of Chinese teams.

INTERPORT WITH MANILA

The Council also discussed the possibility of establishing a permanent Interport Association Football series with Manila, who have written to the Colony expressing great keenness to pay a visit. The Hongkong Management Committee made certain proposals to Manila, who replied intimating that if they visited Hongkong, they hoped that Hongkong would reciprocate the gesture and visit Manila in April.

The matter was referred to the Management Committee, who were empowered to proceed with negotiations.

TEAM TO TOUR AMERICA

LONDON, Nov. 30. The committee of the Scottish Football Association has recommended that a team be sent to tour Canada and the United States in 1939. Ratification is almost certain, with the team leaving on May 10 for a two-months' tour.—Reuter.

LUNCH SCORES

Durban, Dec. 6. Cricket lunch scores were: Natal \$07 and M.C.C. 285-5. (Hutton 100).—Reuter Bulletin.



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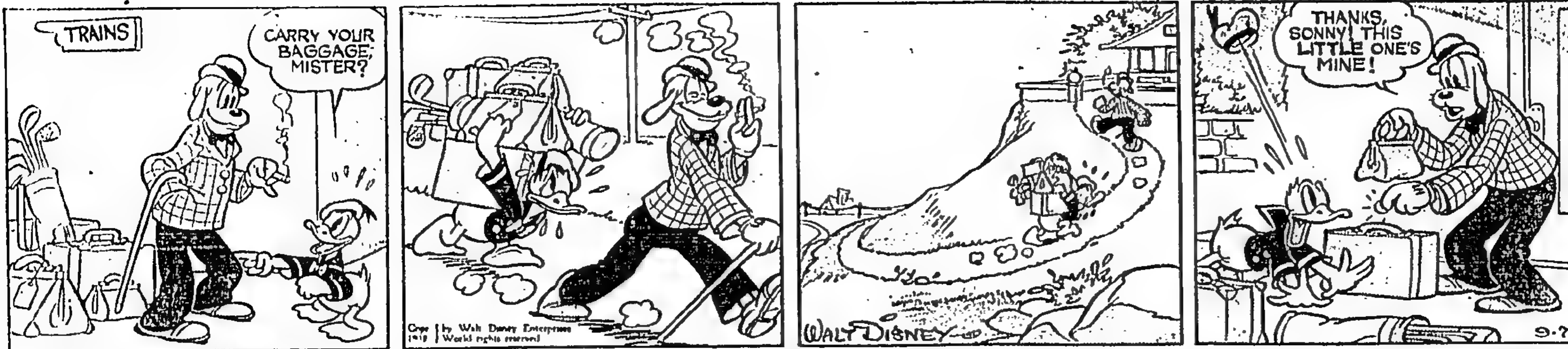
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BRITAIN MAY ADOPT FIRM ATTITUDE

Lords' Debate Reveals Exasperation at Japanese Attitude

EDEN MAY RE-JOIN CABINET

May Take Dominions Portfolio Soon

London, Dec. 6. IT IS REPORTED that there is a strong possibility that Mr. Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary, will re-join the Cabinet as Secretary of State for the Dominions.

His appointment depends on foreign developments after the



MR. ANTHONY EDEN.

visit of Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax to Rome. This would not cause the displacement of any officers, since Mr. Malcolm MacDonald at present holds the portfolio of Secretary of State for the Dominions and the Colonies.—United Press.

OFF TO INDIA

Mr. T. A. Mahalan, J.P., is leaving Hongkong for India on a short holiday by the P. & O. liner Canton on Saturday. He will be absent from the Colony for about 8 months.

Hongkong's Danger is Stressed As Peers Discuss Position

LONDON, Dec. 6.

ELABORATING THE ENQUIRY as to what the Government was doing to protect British trade in China, in view of the fact that British trade interests were daily becoming worse, Lord Elibank, speaking in the House of Lords to-day, regretted that Viscount Halifax was unable to be present owing to his departure for a well-earned holiday.

Lord Elibank referred to the conditions ruling at Tsingtao, Tientsin, Shanghai, on the Yellow River, Hankow, and throughout North China which were operating against British trade and shipping due to the Japanese action in the shape of prohibitions, preferential duties, the commandeering of public utilities and Japanese trade monopolies.

The fact is, said Lord Elibank, was leaving no stone unturned in order to upset British trade and to bolster their own failing economic system.

One of the principal reasons for the capture of Canton was that it created the gravest danger to Hongkong trade.

Lord Elibank wanted to know what the Government proposed to do to carry out Viscount Halifax's statement of July 27.

"If the Japanese nation are to defend their interests, we have the same rights with regard to our interests," he declared.

"Nobody in Britain has any idea of retaliation militarily, but there are many who believe that if we retaliate in the economic sense, we should make some impression on the Japanese."

Lord Elibank said he had previously suggested denunciation of the Anglo-Japanese trade agreement of 1911 with regard to Japanese trading with the colonies.

CLOSE H.K. TO JAPAN

"The second way I would choose would be to close Hongkong to all Japanese ships and cargoes between Japan and South China, and thus

effectively block Japanese trade with Canton, he said.

"Another way would be the closure of all Indian and Straits Settlement ports to Japanese coastal shipping."

"Yet a further way would be with regard to Japan's desperate need for foreign exchange and credits."

"I am credibly informed that the Japanese gold reserves are down to £20,000,000, and their gold production has reached the low level of £12,000,000 a year."

"I venture to urge that as Japan will not listen to reason, the time has definitely come to take special economic steps to enforce our viewpoint, to avoid being driven out of this trading field."

JAPAN'S OUTLOOK

"There is very little doubt that there is an entire change of outlook in Japan to-day towards China and her trading partners."

"According to the Tokyo Times on December 1, which mentioned the new order in East Asia, foreign interests and foreign trade will play a very small part in the future economic situation in China."

Lord Elibank referred to the recent meeting in Shanghai of representatives of foreign chambers of commerce, and the identical representations to the government with regard to the existing Japanese trade aggression in China.

"To such an extent do they feel action is necessary, that although they know any retaliatory action might seriously inconvenience them, they are prepared to face up to those inconveniences for the future of foreign trade in China," he said.

"Another aspect not usually noticed sufficiently is the attitude of China towards Britain."

"I have reason to believe there is a strong feeling being engendered in China against Britain owing to the fact that we have done nothing whatever to assist them in their extremity."

"China is beginning to regard this attitude as at least unfriendly. I venture to believe that if the Chinese are successful in this war, from all I have heard, they will be just as upsetting to British trade as the Japanese are being at the present."

"I wish to urge that something must be done to help China in her real trouble."

Lord Elibank referred to the Anglo-American trade agreement, and said that many see behind the agreement, the question of closer collaboration between them. He suggested a special occasion had arisen where that collaboration should be made effective.

He concluded by urging the Government to take some action in this awful case, the vital importance of which did not seem to be fully recognised in every direction, and to take retaliatory action before it was too late.

"DON'T DOUBT JAPAN"

Lord Barmby expressed the opinion that it would be wiser to wait until we were further along the road of what was going to take place before we doubted Japan's repeated assertions that she had no ambitions of territorial aggrandisement in South China.

It was natural that there should be continued representations in Japan that Britain had given active help, and that had caused natural misgivings and suspicions, which were, however, unfounded.

Surely, asked Lord Barmby, there had been often enough statements by responsible Japanese statesmen, which coincided with the fact that Japan's main desire was to assure a stabilised Government in China, and to make sure it was free from Communist influence and anti-Japanese activities.

He did not wish to give any impression of lack of sympathy with China but he pointed out that there was a moment when in any debate there should be strict impartiality, giving encouragement to neither side.

With regard to the suggestion that Japan wanted to exclude all foreign interests in China when the reconstruction took place, he thought Britain should look at it from the angle of practical commonsense.

He asked if it was possible to see that China could be reconstructed by herself, or by China and Japan together, to the exclusion of all foreigners.

"Commonsense shows there will be a need for foreign assistance and obviously the assistance most sought for will be Britain's," he declared.

He suggested collaboration with the United States, which had only subsidiary interests, and therefore patience in dealing with the subject.

"We wish, above all, to avoid producing a situation which is going to make settlement all the more difficult," he concluded.

GOVERNMENT REPLY

Lord Plymouth, replying to the debate, said that Lord Elibank had asked what results had come of previous deliberations, and he had alluded to certain matters in respect of these.

"He maintains, I think perfectly rightly, that British interests are receiving unfair treatment at the hands of the Japanese Government."

"I regret I am unable to report satisfactory progress, but I should like to inform the House of the position with regard to these particular matters."

"Firstly, the position in Tsingtao is very unsatisfactory."

"Restrictions imposed on shipping there constitutes, in the eyes of the British Government, deliberate discrimination against British interests,

and they consider there is no valid reason whatever why British ships should not be admitted to the inner harbour."

"Repeated representations have been made to the Japanese naval and civil authorities, as well as to the Japanese Government, and the British Government trusts that before long it will obtain fairer treatment for our ships."

"Meanwhile, I can assure the House that we shall continue to press vigorously on this matter."

YANGTSE NAVIGATION

Turning to the question of navigation on the Yangtze, Lord Plymouth continued: "Here again, I regret to say the Japanese are continuing restrictions on British shipping in common with the shipping of other foreign countries, and the movement of British subjects and goods on the river."

"The excuse they continue to give is military necessity."

"On November 7 the governments of the United States, France and Britain made parallel representations to the Japanese Government concerning this, and drew attention to the fact that a steadily increasing and regular trade was being developed on the Yangtze by Japanese vessels."

"The Japanese reply was a denial that such trade actually existed."

"The British Ambassador has produced further evidence to support our contention, which has been brought to the attention of the Japanese Government."

"I can only say that, in view of the repeated undertakings by the Japanese Government that the restrictions would be removed as soon as military operations against Hankow were concluded, we expect an early improvement in the situation."

"With regard to Tientsin and North China, it is quite true that some time ago an embargo was placed on the export of hides from North China. Last July and August important categories were withdrawn from the scope of the embargo as a result of representations by the British Government and other governments. Recently a further embargo was imposed on wool and hemp from Tientsin. The British and United States governments protested against this. No settlement has been reached, but a monopoly association, formed to control the internal sale of wool in China, has been dissolved."

"As regards the discriminatory tax on tobacco, we have received no information."

In reply to a question, Lord Plymouth promised to inquire further.

Continuing, the Government spokesman recalled Lord Elibank's reference to the "very unsatisfactory position in the International Settlement, and said slight progress had been made in the direction of additional permits for factories to be opened and for Chinese workmen returning to work, but progress is very small, and we are continuing to press the matter as strongly as possible."

Lord Plymouth then said he would pass on to questions of a wider character.

Pronouncements had recently been made in Tokyo regarding the formation of an economic and political bloc, comprising Japan, Manchukuo and China, in which Japan was the pre-dominant partner.

"I wish to say categorically that the British Government cannot possibly subscribe to this attitude, and I would like to clarify the position, which is governed by the Washington Treaty and other international agreements to which the British Government, in conjunction with a large number of other governments, are parties."

"Particularly would I like to recall that the parties to the Nine-Power Treaty bound themselves in respect to the sovereignty, independence, and territorial and administrative integrity of China, to provide the fullest opportunity for China to develop a stable Government, to maintain the open-door, and to refrain from taking advantage of conditions in China to obtain special rights and privileges, or infringing the rights of subjects of the respective States."

"The British Government could not consider any alteration brought about by unilateral action."

"Our stand is the same as that of the United States, laid down in a (Continued on Page 7.)

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Dania with Orchestre cond. by Pierre Chagnon; The Grand Duchess—Galop (Offenbach)... Orchestre Raymond cond. by G. Walter.

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.
8.05 Studio—Trio (Edouard Lalo) played by Frue Lewis (Violin) Etienne

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8.35 Songs by Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).

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8.45 London Relay—Empire Exchange.

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8.50 Selections from "Chu Chin Chow." "The Lilac Domino" "The Chocolate Soldier" and others.

"Lilac Time"—Selection (Schubert, arr. Clutsum)... The New Mayfair Orchestra; "Miss Hook of Holland"—Vocal Gems (Rubens)... Light Opera Company; "Chu Chin Chow"—Selection (Norton)... The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Green; "The Chocolate Soldier"—Vocal Gems (Strauss)... The Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

9.30 London Relay—The News.
9.50 A Programme of Latest Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—When They Played The Polka; A Gipsy Told Me (film "Happy Landings")... Horace Heldt and His Alente Brigadiers with vocal chorus; Tangos—Mi Musa Campara; Madrecita De Pompeya... Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro; Fox-Trots—What Goes On Here In My Heart (film "Give me a Sailor"); A Little Kiss At Twilight (film "Give me a Sailor")... Dick Jurgens and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Slow Fox-Trots—The Red Maple Leaves; There's Rain In My Eyes... Mantovani and His Orchestra with vocal chorus; Tangos—Jalousie... Xavier Cugat and His Hotel; Waldorf-Astoria Orchestra; Tu Sais... Henry King and His Hotel Pierre Orchestra; Slow Fox-Trot—Allah's Holiday (Film)... The Six Swingers directed by Scott Wood.

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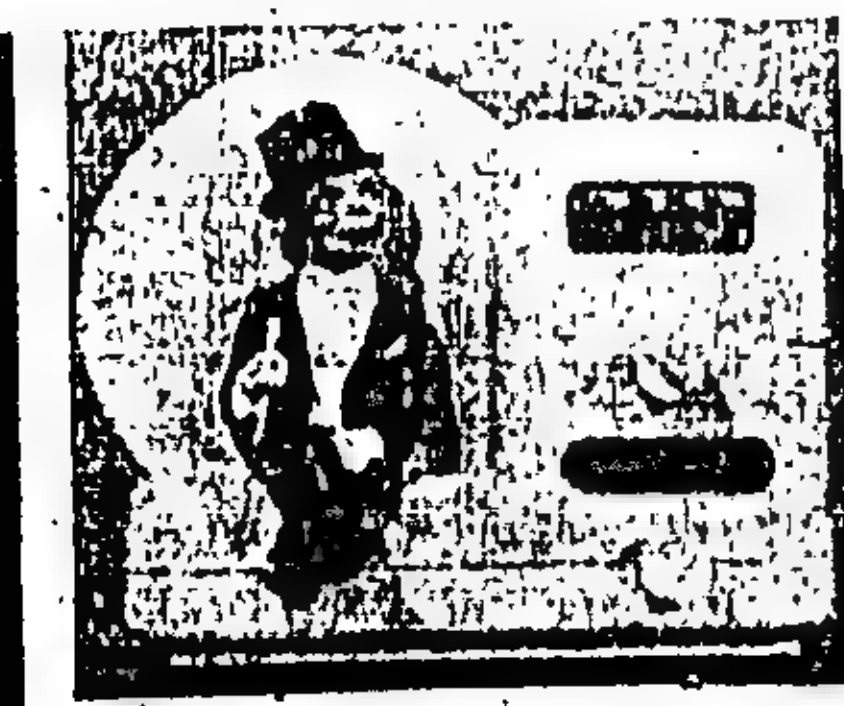
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"That Certain Age" is when we start thinking "Mom" and "Pop" are old fashioned.

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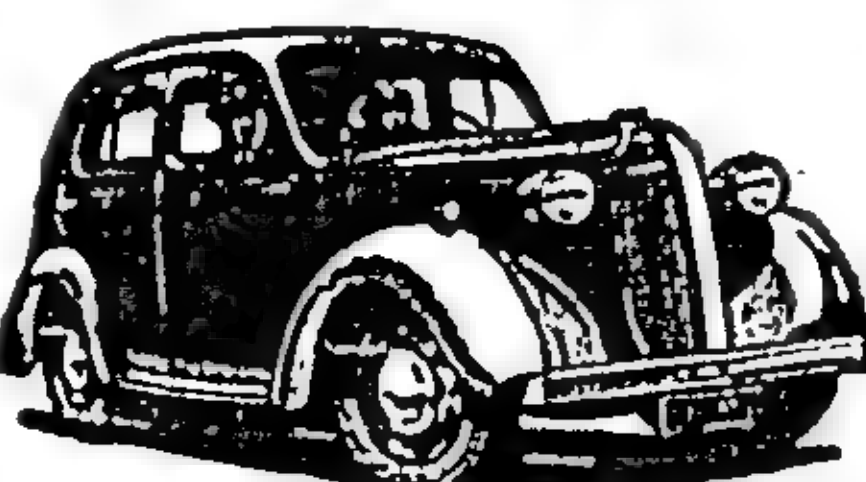
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The New Agitator

THE B.B.C., we are told in a news despatch yesterday, will continue news broadcasts in foreign languages. Why?

Because all over the world now the radio stations are giving out propaganda.

If you listen-in on the short-waves you'll hear a German or an Italian, though speaking in English. This Voice declares that the broadcast is directed to South and Eastern Asia. But the message is directed, of course, to the place where most English is spoken—India.

What can you do about it? Radio penetrates the defences of the old-fashioned Press censorship like a boxer with a new punch-slip through the guard of the orthodox stylist.

There are two ways to stop it, and the B.B.C. knows it. Jam the offending station. Or give him some of his own medicine.

Santa's Beard

AFTER the hind legs of the donkey, no man deserves our sympathy at this time of the year more than the professional Santa Claus. Among the perils of his occupation, it appears, is the catching of his beard in electrical toys. Not only is this fate painful in itself but it is calculated to destroy every morsel of that prestige among the young so essential to his task.

Nevertheless, Santa Claus (as Santas Claus) have approached their task with a high sense of professional conduct. At a New York conference they have shown a firm grasp of this beard question. Santa's beard, it is laid down, is to be long enough to add a touch of verisimilitude to an otherwise bald and unconvincing person. But it is not to be like Aaron's, that went down to the skirts of his clothing. There should be moderation in all things, even in beards.

Smiling Through

What is your favorite film? The British Film Institute sug-

I WAS FORCED DOWN
AT
SEA

I KNOW just what the four German fliers in the Condor plane went through before they were picked up by fishermen yesterday.

I know because—for 20 hours—I, too, had been in the same position. Four of us, a Canadian named Hosmer, Mechanic Pierce, Radio-operator Gilmour and I, determined to fly from the Azores to Newfoundland on our way from Pisa to New York. It was August, 1928.

We had got half-way when, suddenly, I saw in the wind-screen a strange crimson glow. It took me a few seconds to realise what had happened: the petrol feed had cracked, then broken, the machine had petered out owing to the weakness of the mixture, the engine had back-fired, and we were on fire.

The engines were set above the machine. The trail of the flames was rushing backwards. It had burned the tail-fin which projected above the fuselage. Those were the flames I saw reflected.

I decided to come down. As I swooped, I had only one thought: "Any ships about will see us all right." There was no time to send out a message. I yelled to the mechanic: "Cut off the petrol." He clambered out and turned off the tap.

When I was a few feet above the sea—a pretty rough sea—I saw the foam of the waves was pink from the flames. I had no idea how I should land, I simply held the plane off the wave tops until it lost speed and then let her fall into the sea. As luck would have it the landing was perfect.

For a bit I was terrified of the risk of going up in a blaze. The fire was just above a 10-gallon tank of petrol. In the fuselage below were the main tanks. One spark and it would be all up. Luck saved us again. The fire went out.

After a bit, we began to put up the radio. At practice, we had rigged it in 15 minutes. When we had to do it under real conditions, it took us two hours.

Finally, we got it rigged. We sent out an S O S. We got no reply.

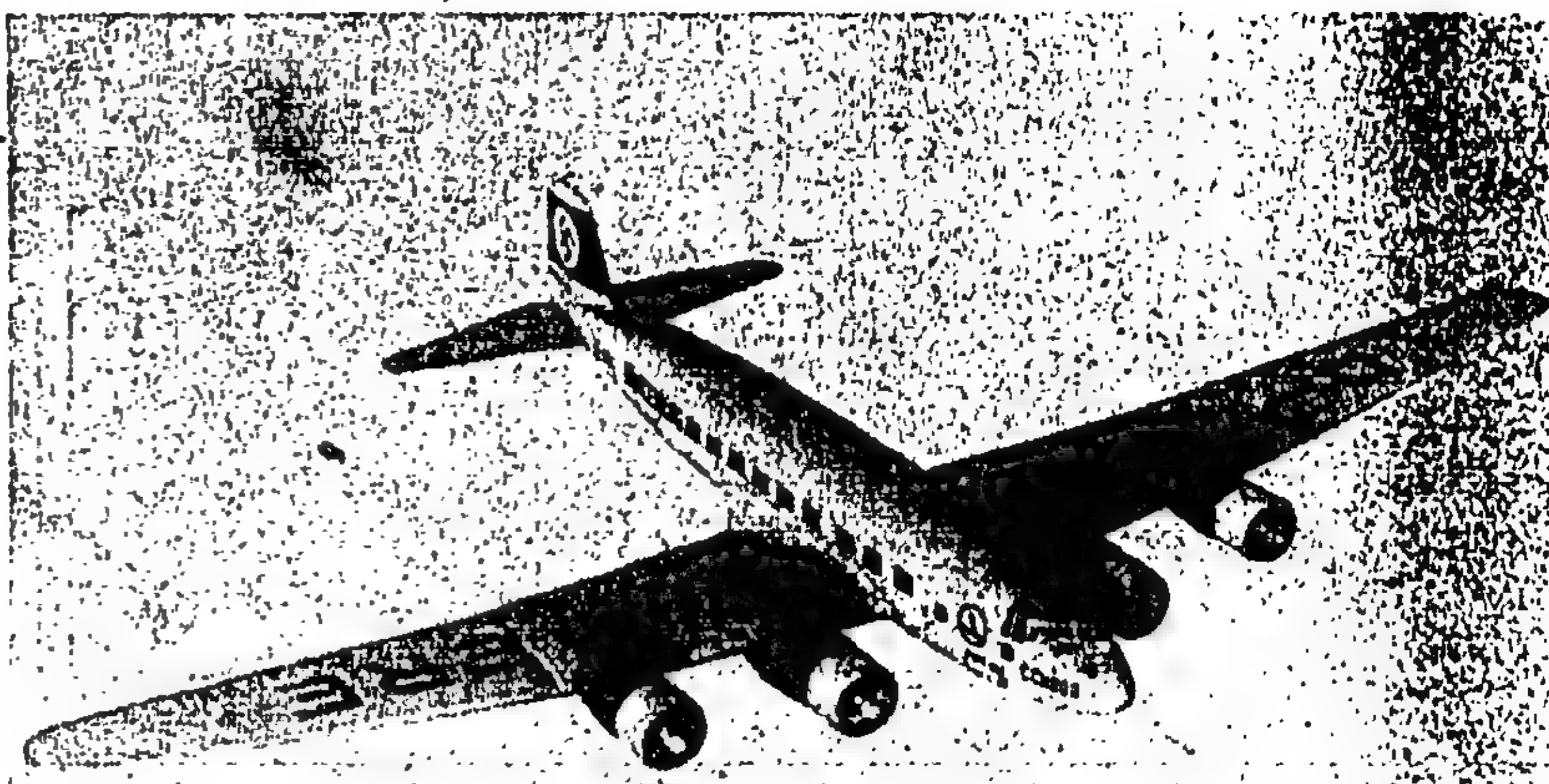
We decided to wait until 9 a.m. before sending out another, when some ships would be sure to get the signal. When day broke, our only emotion was a dumb wonder: shall we be picked up to-day? If not, what will happen?

gest in their annual report last month that tastes are altering.

The "leg-show" is on the run, and the everlasting sunshine of the glamour girl's smile is paling. Conversely, the screen cartoonist's little characters—which can be endowed with six legs and a smile that meets at the back of the neck—are growing in everybody's esteem.

The pointless, "popular" picture is making way, it is said, for good historical adaptations and for films that have honest plot and genuine interest. Taste is on the up-grade.

A few years more and the screen public will get out of the Hollywood.



The German Condor plane, which was forced down near Manila yesterday.

By Captain
Frank Courtney

who in 1928 attempted one of the pioneer Transatlantic flights in a Dornier-Wal flying-boat, which caught fire in the air half-way between the Azores and Newfoundland.

Our first signal in the morning was picked up and answered by the Celtic.

We used the direction finder to get our position and gave it out to the liner, which relayed it to other boats. We heard them "speaking." We felt grand. We thought it was just a matter of waiting to be picked up.

But we were so low in the water, it was almost impossible to see us. Waves seemed to be breaking at us from all heights and all directions.

Gradually the difficulties of the rescuers began to dawn on us. We were a tiny speck, set almost on the water-line. A shower of rain would obscure us at a mile. Even if it stayed clear a ship would have to come within five or six miles to sight us. And the great expanse of the sea, stretching desolate and empty before us, brought home to us the grim realisation of the immensity of the task. We heard the ships exchange messages. We even heard Lisbon giving out messages to the Press. Ships' calls came to us: "We are on our way." Someone asked for a report of the accident. But we could not reply: our batteries were too low.

We had not thought of packing more juice. We were thinking of lightening the plane as much as we could before we started, not loading ourselves

with safety appliances. We took the minimum: batteries, fire-extinguishers, everything.

To add to our gaities, we were sea-sick. I was sea-sick for the first time in my life: the smell of burning aluminium was too much. I was so sick I didn't care if we were picked up or not.

The wireless man called out he could see smoke on the horizon. I got to my feet, saw he had been deceived. It was just a sun-ray through a distant cloud. I cursed him. Later I raised the cry of "Smoke." Gilmour saw I had made the same mistake, and cursed me back.

Temper were fraying. I gave orders that no-one should announce he could see smoke: only ships should be taken as evidence of salvation.

At one in the afternoon, a message from the President Hayes, en route to the United States on a round-the-world Dollar Line Cruise that had taken in Hongkong, told us they had arrived at our position, and we were not there. Of course not. The drift of sea-weed told us we were moving at about 3 m.p.h.; my chart told us we were also being carried by the Gulf Stream at about 2½ m.p.h. Our drift to the westward was at the rate of 5 m.p.h., and we had covered 50 miles from the time we had given our position. I wondered if the liner would figure that out too.

GRIN AND BEAR IT **By Lichty**



"You're such a brute, Cadwell! You still haven't noticed my new hat!"

The tanker Achatina sent a message: "We are near you. Can you put up a smoke screen?"

Petrol sends up good black smoke—but how to fire it? We got the top off a 5-gallon can. We filled it three-quarters full from the tanks. We tried to kick it overboard at the exact moment we fired it. But as I flung the match in, a wave hit us and upset the whole thing.

For a few seconds we floated in a blazing pool of petrol. Then another wave took us out of range. The smoke-cloud was fine—but the Achatina did not see it—and we decided there would be no more petrol flares.

We had food aboard, but no-one thought of eating. Sea-sickness and anxiety together murder one's appetite. We had nothing to smoke. To drink we had two gallons of fresh water. When that was gone we should have been reduced to the water in the radiators—chock-full of iron filings.

Although we had not enough juice to send messages, we had enough to hear. We intercepted a conversation about us between the Columbus and the Minnewaska.

They were 50 miles away. The Columbus was going south. The Minnewaska was heading straight for us. We hoped, how we hoped to God, he would continue. How we dreaded he might change his course.

The sun began to sink lower and lower over the horizon. We heard the Minnewaska's signals getting nearer. Suddenly the Achatina cut in: "We'll reach you somehow." It seemed a race between the rescue ships and the sinking sun. And the sun seemed to be winning.

Gilmour really saw smoke on the horizon—but he didn't dare to say so. Then, over the skyline we saw the line of a mast, of a funnel, of a bow, heading straight towards us. We knew he could not see us. Would he, would he turn off?

Nearer and nearer. And the sun sinking lower and lower. Nearer and nearer, lower and lower. We sent out our last message, leaving our batteries empty.

It was the setting sun that we had looked on as our enemy that proved our salvation. A sailor at the mast-head saw a flash—the level rays striking our wings. If the sun had been higher in the sky, he would never have seen us. And the Minnewaska was about to change course just when he sighted the flash.

The liner hove to, lowered a boat, sent out, took us off. Once we reached the ship, all our sensations—disappointment at our failure, heart-sickening anxiety, resignation, complete apathy when we were ill—faded into one not of relief but of gigantic anti-climax. That was my adventure. That is what the four Germans faced before they were picked up.

CENTURY-OLD ENMITY ABANDONED AS FRANCE, GERMANY SIGN AGREEMENT

Existing Frontiers Recognised As Definite and Binding

Mutual Peace As Move For World Appeasement

PARIS, DEC. 6.
THE GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTER, HERR VON RIBBENTROP, AND THE FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER, M. BONNET, HAVE SIGNED THE FRANCO-GERMAN DECLARATION.

They agree, firstly, to do their utmost to assure the development of mutual peaceful good for neighbourly relations.

Secondly, they affirm that no question of Franco-German territorial nature remains to be settled.

Thirdly, they resolved to consult each other where these questions risk leading international difficulties.

After the Franco-German talks, which lasted until 6.25 p.m., a *communiqué* was issued saying the visit of Herr von Ribbentrop furnished occasion for broad exchange of views.

London Is Pleased

LONDON, DEC. 6.
THE FRANCO-GERMAN declaration signed in Paris to-day was the subject of a discussion between the British and French Ministers when Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax were in Paris, says "Reuters" diplomatic correspondent. It is understood that the Ministers were in complete agreement with regard to the declaration.

It will be recalled that the British Government had already stated that it welcomed any arrangement reached between Germany and France on the lines of the Anglo-German declaration at Munich.—Reuters.

NEW PURGE IN SOVIET COMMANDS

Many Arrests At Far East Stations

SHANGHAI, Dec. 6.
A LARGE-SCALE PURGE in the Soviet-Russian fleet stationed at Vladivostok and in the Amur River Flotilla in Nogliwo Sovjetzki harbour has recently been carried out, according to reports which reached here to-day.

The purge was directed, according to Soviet accounts, against "enemies of the people." It is believed here that the action was taken in conjunction with the recent purge in the Russian youth movement, since numerous members of that movement have been arrested in the Far East.—Trans-Ocean.

S'hai's Cares For Kwangtung War Victims

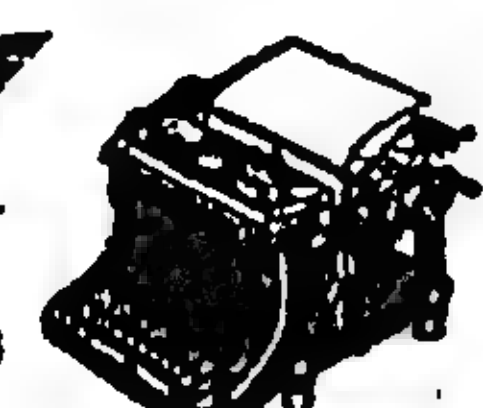
CHUNGKING, Dec. 6.
Following satisfactory arrangements, several thousand Kwangtung refugees in Shanghai, who were rendered homeless and destitute by the devastation of Hongkew and Chapei shortly after hostilities broke out in Shanghai, are now being taken care of by the Joint Committee of the Shanghai Charitable Organs, according to a message from Shanghai. These refugees, it is learned, were formerly taken care of by the Kwangtung Guild at Shanghai, but were transferred to the care of the Joint Committee.

The number of Kwangtung refugees totalled 20,000 during the height of the Shanghai hostilities.

Most of these people were subsequently sent back to their native places in Kwangtung.—Central News.

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AGREEMENT IN BRIEF

The Franco-German Agreement was signed in the Foreign Office at 3.30 p.m. yesterday. Its provisions are:

1. The German and French Governments are agreed in the conviction that peaceful neighbourly relations between France and Germany constitute one of the most essential elements of the consolidation of conditions in Europe, and of the maintenance of general peace.

Both governments will, therefore, devote all their efforts to bringing about and assuring the security of such relations between their two countries.

2. Both governments are agreed that no questions of a territorial nature are pending between their countries, and they solemnly recognise the existing frontiers dividing them as definite and final.

3. Both governments are determined, subject to their special relations with third Powers, to remain in touch with each other concerning all questions which interest their respective countries, and to consult each other whenever the future development of such questions may lead to international difficulties.

BRITAIN MAY ADOPT FIRM ATTITUDE

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statement to the press of November 4.

"This statement will serve equally to define the attitude of the British Government."

"I do not think it necessary to emphasise the consequences which would result from a Japanese exclusive policy."

"The Japanese Government must realise that the policy will inevitably have incalculable repercussions in other parts of the world, the consequences of which it is impossible to foresee."

"Therefore we trust they agree that the interests of both governments lie in other directions."

"I fully admit the position is unsatisfactory, and it is for reasons only too present in the minds of your lordships."

"The Government is prepared to consider all possible measures to safeguard British interests."

CREDITS TO CHINA

"None of Lord Ellbank's proposals has escaped the British Government's attention."

"A number of proposals are now under consideration for assisting China in connection with export credits, and the British Government will sympathetically examine these and other requests by the Chinese Government."

MORE HARM THAN GOOD

"Unless there is some guarantee that action such as that suggested by Lord Ellbank is efficacious it would do more harm than good."

"The British Government will continue to treat the protection of British interests as one of the cardinal points of policy in the Far East."

"They consider this end can best be achieved by an early equitable settlement of the Sino-Japanese conflict, just to both, and taking account of the interests of third parties."

"The British Government has indicated to China and Japan that it is willing to use its good offices, and will not hesitate to take all necessary steps as soon as the moment appears appropriate. I must admit, however, that no present indications of that moment are close at hand."

Lord Strabolgi said that Lord Plymouth had made the most satisfactory statement they had had from the Government bench for some years, adding: "It looks as if the National Government worm has at last turned" (laughter).

If the grant of export credits to China was done on a sufficiently generous scale, it would really take the form of a commercial loan to China.

Lord Plymouth, intervening said: "I did not quite say that. What I said was that we are examining certain proposals with regard to export credits, and are prepared sympathetically to consider those, and any others, with that object in view."

Lord Strabolgi continued to say that export credits granted on a long-term agreement would enable the Chinese to import from Britain and to make up some of the falling-off exports from Britain. "I would ask Lord Plymouth if we are simultaneously examining the question of

Japanese Threaten Chungshan

"Central News" Confirms Kongmoon Loss

YUNGYUN, Dec. 7.
CHUNGSHAN, one of the richest districts in Kwangtung, is threatened by the Japanese.

It has been completely cut off from the interior after the fall of Kowkong and Kongmoon.

A Japanese aircraft-carrier and three warships are reported to have arrived off the Chungshan coast.

General Chang Wai-cheung, magistrate and concurrently commander of guerrilla units of Chungshan, on whose shoulders rests the main responsibility of directing the defence of the district, has issued orders to all guerrilla troops under his command to take strict vigilance and put up stiff resistance against any invasion.

Meanwhile, there is indication that the Japanese are planning to intensify their drive up the West River. About 1,000 Japanese reinforcements equipped with tanks are said to be proceeding to the West River area to attack Szewul on a tributary of the river. Japanese planes reconnoitred over the district yesterday.

To the north-east of Canton, Chinese and Japanese troops are locked in a bitter struggle between Tapingchong and Tsunwuh, lying south of Tsungfa, which is approximately 35 miles from Canton. Japanese reinforcements have been sent to Tapingchong and Tsunwuh to consolidate their positions.

Yesterday morning several hundred Japanese infantry and cavalry men, preceded by tank units, started a counter-attack on the Chinese. Chinese anti-tank guns and machine-guns opened up and repulsed them. About 50 Japanese were killed. Two tanks were damaged and two machine-guns and many rifles were captured by the Chinese.—Central News.

HEALTH BULLETIN

The following cases of notifiable diseases were reported in Hongkong during the last 24 hours.

Two cases of cholera, making the total for the year 540, ten cases of small-pox, including nine imported, two of diphtheria, four of measles, two of dysentery, making the year's aggregate, 992, and one each of enteric fever and meningitis.

discouraging the supply of credits to Japan.

"I am not suggesting a Government boycott but there are ways and means open to the Government to bring pressure on those who are supplying Japan with credits and war materials to desist from doing so."

"I fail to understand why, if we collaborate with France and the United States, the other signatories to the Nine-Power Treaty are not called in for collaboration."

NEW CONFAB DUE

Lord Strabolgi said that at the time of the Nine-Power Treaty, Germany and Russia were off the diplomatic map.

He suggested a new Washington Conference was due, with the original signatories, plus Germany and Russia.

Referring to Munich, he said that Germany had received many great benefits, and it was now our turn to ask for something in exchange.

"The policy of appeasement should be a two-way policy. The appeasement we most value is anything that will help our trade. We are a trading nation, and so is Germany. In China, our interests as merchants were absolutely identical."

"The Anti-Comintern Pact the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo triangle, and other similar fantasies, will pass, he said."

"What will remain are mutual interests as trading nations."

"Those interests are threatened. Isn't the time ripe to ask Germany for appeasement on those lines? Why shouldn't we ask the Germans to join us and the other Nine-Power signatories, with Russia, to join in representations for the maintenance of the open-door?"

"That would do more than anything else to get rid of what Mr. Piow called the psychology of war, would create a revolution in men's minds, and would certainly have an effect on Japan."

Lord Ellbank, using his right to make a second time, welcomed the Government's definite step to take a stand in the Far East. He thought Lord Plymouth's remarks with regard to the Nine-Power Treaty was a definite step forward.—Reuters.



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GERMAN STOKER MISSING

Otto Kreiger, 31, a German stoker on the Bertram Rickmers, has been missing from the ship since December 4. A report has been made to the Police by the ship's agents, Messrs. Jepsen and Company.

More Money In Britain For Christmas

LONDON, Dec. 6.
The Chancellor of the Exchequer announced in the House of Commons that he had given directions at the request of the Bank of England, and under powers conferred on the Treasury by the Currency and Bank Notes Act of 1928, that as from December 6, the fiduciary issue, which was reduced from £200,000,000 to £200,000,000 in 1930, should be temporarily raised to £230,000,000 to meet seasonal demands.—British Wireless.

MANY LOCAL TENNIS PLAYERS INVITED TO SAIGON

SEVERAL HAVE DECLINED DUE TO INABILITY TO GET LEAVE

Tsui Wai-Pui Uncertain At The Present Moment

(By "Abe")

That officials of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association are making a determined effort to send a team of local players to Saigon to take part in the Far Eastern Tennis Championships in response to the invitation of the Saigon authorities is demonstrated by the fact that letters have been written to all the leading players in the Colony asking them whether they can make the trip.

As announced yesterday, the tournament has been postponed until next month and will be held from January 7 to January 15. Yvon Petra, the French Davis Cup player, is already in Saigon for the championships, and Kcho Sin-ke, the Chinese star, is due there at the end of the month.

The Saigon authorities have offered to pay hotel expenses of Hongkong players during their stay in that city and they also propose to pay the return fare from Saigon to Hongkong.

And now, it is understood, the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association has come forward with an offer to pay the passage of local players to Saigon, if required.

FREE HOLIDAY

Which, of course, means that those who answer "Yes" to the Association's letters will have a holiday of nearly three weeks with everything found—except pocket expenses. In addition, they will have an opportunity of meeting some of the world's leading players. Besides Petra and Kcho, there will be many others well-known in the Far Eastern tennis circles, including the leading players of the Philippines and Japan.

Mr. C. J. Tatchell, Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association, informed me yesterday that letters had been written to the following players:

Tsui Wai-pui, S. A. Rumjahn, H. D. Rumjahn, Ho Ka-lou, Lai Kwong-tsun, E. C. Fincher, M. W. Lo, L. Goldman, W. C. Hung, J. W. Leonard, Tui Yun-pui, A. E. P. Guest, W. A. H. Duff, Tannie Kwok, Paul Kong and Lee Wai-tong.

PLAYERS' REPLIES

Of these 16, many have already decided not to go. I got in touch with the following players yesterday afternoon and these were the replies they gave me:

Paul Kong—I don't think I can get away.

E. C. Fincher—I'm afraid I can't go.

W. C. Hung—I had my leave last month, and I can't get away again so soon.

M. W. Lo—I can't go. I have already replied to that effect.

Lee Wai-ton—I don't think I can manage it.

L. Goldman—I have only just received the letter. I haven't had time to give the matter much thought.

Tsui Yun-pui—I am going.

Tsui Wai-pui—I'm not sure yet.

I won't know until the end of this week.

A. E. P. Guest—I will go if I can obtain leave.

Of the others, S. A. Rumjahn is still on leave, and it would be unlikely that he will be able to take another three weeks off for the trip. His cousin "H.D." I am told, is almost certain of turning down the invitation owing to the difficulty of getting away.

The views of Lai Kwong-tsun, J. W. Leonard, W. A. H. Duff, Ho Ka-lou and Tannie Kwok have not yet been obtained.

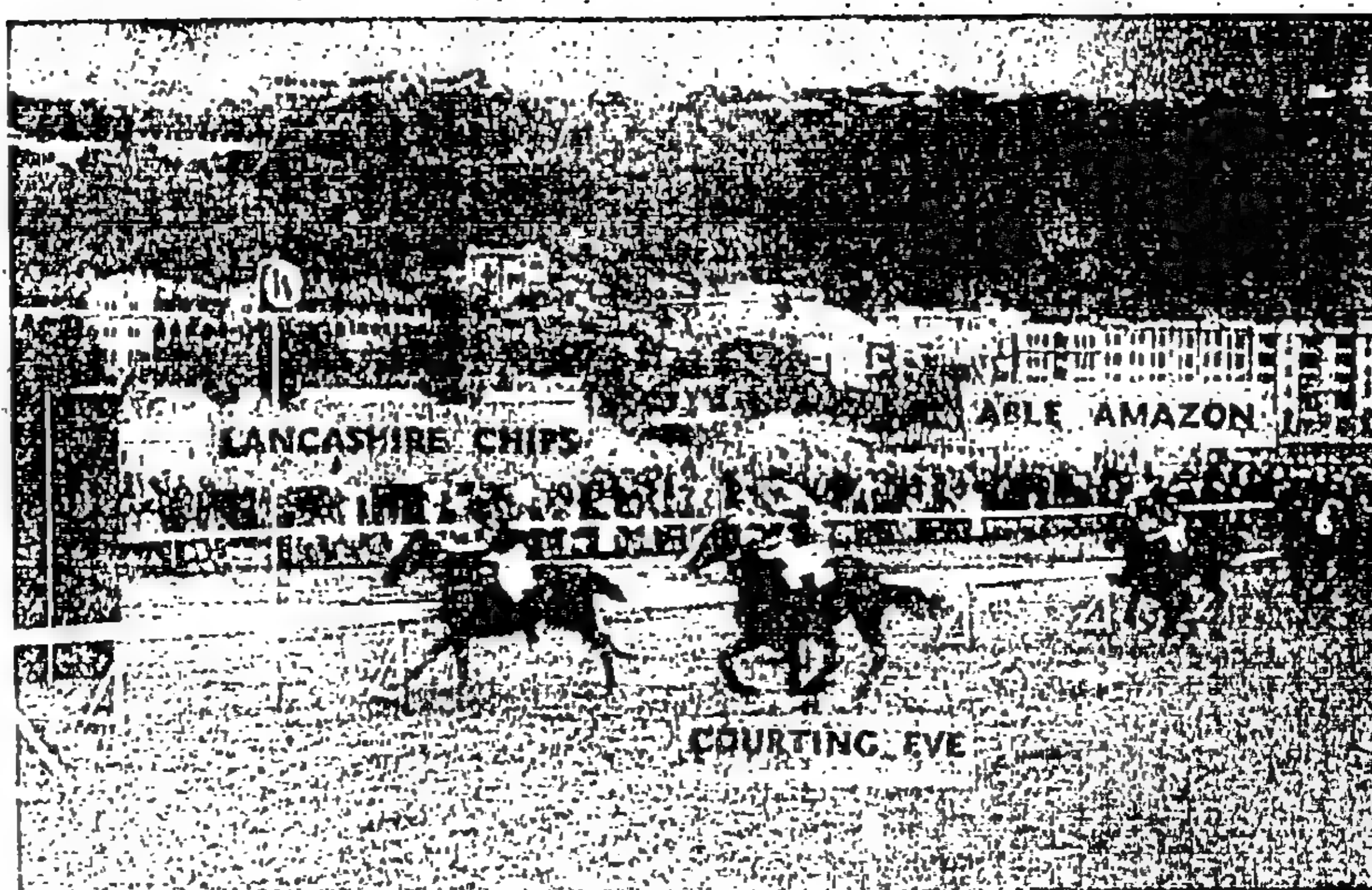
Hongkong's representation would be strengthened if Duff's reply to the H.K.L.T.A. was in the affirmative; but I am told there is little chance of it being so.

TSUI WAI-PUI UNCERTAIN

Hongkong could send a fairly strong team if Tsui Wai-pui can be persuaded to go. At the moment he is uncertain; but there is a distinct possibility of his answer being "Yes" because he would like to have another chance of playing Yvon Petra, who defeated him in the first round of the French Championships in Paris in 1937. On that occasion, the Frenchman won in straight sets, but Tsui thinks that he should now do better against the lanky French ace.

He and his brother would also make a formidable pair, with every prospect of going far; and in this connection, it is to be regretted that the Rumjahn cousins cannot take part as they are almost certain of proving popular in Saigon. Their reputation is known there.

Anyhow although so many of those asked are not in a position to accept the offer, there is enough material left for Hongkong to send a fairly strong contingent, and those who go cannot help but benefit from their experience, thereby aiding to lift the standard of tennis in the Colony.



Langashire Chips, with Mr. B. A. Proulx up, knocked four-fifths of a second off the record time for the distance in the Cramond Brig Handicap at the Twelfth Extra Race Meeting held at Happy Valley on Saturday. She started a sizzling-hot favourite and did not disappoint her supporters. Here's the finish, with Courting Eve second and Able Amazon third.—Photo by A. V. Wong.

Hopman Thinks Next Davis Cup Team Should Go To Wimbledon

"We have returned to Australia with perhaps more confidence in the future than any Australian Davis Cup team since 1920." So said Harry Hopman, manager of the 1938 team, at the official welcome home to the side in Sydney last month.

"I believe that in Bromwich, Australia will have the best amateur tennis player in the world next year. It is certain that Budge will turn professional. I think that Australia will win the 1939 Davis Cup."

"The team feels that our two best players, Bromwich and Quist, should not be overplayed this season in Australia. They should be given a reasonable rest to build them up for the hard times ahead."

"Personally I think that Australia's team should go via Europe next time, playing at Wimbledon, to give the players very necessary match practice to get them to their highest standard. We were handicapped by lack of such practice this year, and might easily have suffered defeat against the Japanese through it. However, the luck broke our way."

Kid (20 Fights, 20 Wins) Tanner May Be Next Champion

By Geoffrey Simpson

London, Nov. 2.

A Woolly-haired coloured boxer—unheard of when he landed from British Guiana a year ago, and now the talk of the North—may shortly reign as bantam-weight champion of the Empire. His name, or ring title, is Kid Tanner, and never was a fighter more aptly named. He has been "tanning" our bantams and feather-weights ever since he arrived. 20 of them, to be exact, and every one stopped inside the distance.

Now the British Board of Control have paired him with our bantam champion, Johnny King, for the Empire title, and are calling for purse offers. Two, for certain, will be made. Johnny Best, of Liverpool, will bid, and so will Belle Vue, Manchester—and there may be others.

Tanner's entry into English boxing might have been taken from an adventure book. He left British Guiana on a cargo boat, flat broke, and with nothing more to recommend him than his own statement that he could fight. Some say it was a banana steamer that he came on, but it is a fact that he worked his passage and walked on to the docks at Liverpool wondering what his next move would be, and where next week's meals might come from.

His first thought was to locate a boxing hall in the city. That led him to the Liverpool Stadium and Johnny Best. The promoter agreed to give Tanner a six-round bout, more or less against his own judgment. Tanner knocked his man out with a few powerful punches.

JUST A START

That started Tanner, whose skin is almost coal-black, on his way, and so far no one can stop him. Mr. Best quickly decided that fly-weights were no match for this terrific coloured puncher. He gave him bantams, and "the Kid" knocked them over, too. Now Tanner is handling out the same scant treatment to feather-weights, though his own weight is a trifle over 8st.

The list of victims having reached 20—and one of them is Len Hampson—the Board feel that it is time something was done, so they have selected King.

King should feel flattered, but probably thinks that this is a match in which he has everything to lose. It would be different if Tanner had an overseas record, but all he can claim is the championship of British Guiana, which has small significance here.

Tanner is the mystery man of British boxing. We know he is good—but how good? On Monday he stopped Harry Edwards (Birmingham) in Manchester. In the same ring King lost on points to

Cambridge Surprise Dark Blues

Annual University Rugger Match

London, Dec. 6.

At Twickenham to-day, the inter-varsity rugby match between Cambridge and Oxford was won by the Dark Blues by eight points (a penalty goal and a placed goal) to six (two penalty goals).

Cambridge owed their victory to strong defence, especially in the first half when Oxford had so much of the game.

Oxford's forwards were expected to crush Cambridge, but the Light Blues were just as lively in the loose, and in the last quarter of an hour heeled the ball from almost every scrum.

Both sides tackled and marked well.—Reuter.



Kid Tanner

Boon's attempts to make it a free-hitting battle. Still, men of championship calibre should have the ability to solve awkward problems. (Continued on Page 9)

Plans For Golf's Biggest Money Tournament

"Daily Mail" £2,000 Final To Be Held At Bournemouth.

By F. J. C. Pignon

London, Oct. 28.

The Daily Mail will again sponsor the biggest prize money tournament in professional golf in 1939. Arrangements have been completed to hold the first big competition of the year in March, when every recognised professional golfer in Great Britain will be eligible to compete for prizes amounting to £2,000 presented by The Daily Mail.

In co-operation with the Professional Golfers' Association, the governing body in professional golf, eight qualifying competitions will be held in different parts of the country, North, South, East, West and Midlands of England, Scotland, Ireland and Northern Ireland while eligible professionals from overseas may compete in the Southern qualifying test.

These eliminating tests which are in course of arrangement will qualify 100 players to take part in the final stages of the tournament.

It has been the policy of The Daily Mail to make the tournament a really national event, and with that in view the final has been taken to different parts of England and nearly always played on courses which rarely house professional tournaments.

ON A PUBLIC COURSE

Next year, the final stages will be played at Bournemouth, a district abounding in beautiful courses, which has never before been the venue of a national professional golf tournament.

Another unusual feature of the 1939 event is that it will be played on a public course. The Queen's Park course, one of the two governed by the Corporation of Bournemouth, has been selected for the final stages which will be played on March 25, 30, and 31.

Queen's Park, although only about 6,300 yards in length, is heather golf, bounded by pine woods and such a fine example of modern green architecture that it has a scratch score of 72. Those who have played over it including Reginald Whitcombe, the Open champion, claim that an average of four is a good score, even for a professional.

THE FINAL FIELD

The field for the finals at Bournemouth will consist of: 37 players from the Southern Section, 25 " " " Northern " " " " " Midland " " " " " Eastern " " " " " Western " " " " " Welsh " " " " " Scottish " " " " " Northern Ireland

If this proves to be correct, it may show that it is possible to construct a course entertaining for average golfers and still sufficiently exacting for a first-class professional tournament, without making it extremely long.

The qualifying competitions will begin on March 1, the actual dates and venues now being in course of arrangement.

The number of players to qualify from each district is based upon the membership of the P.G.A. in the area, the proportion in the past having been about one player to 14 eligible professionals.

Every one of the 100 players who reaches the final stage will receive a prize. The player with the best score for the final 72 holes of stroke play will receive the biggest prize in golf, £500.

One round of 18 holes will be played on each of the first two days, and at the half-way stage all but a maximum of fifty players leading the field—ties for fiftieth place will not count—will be eliminated. But by an adjustment made in the prize list even those who are compulsorily retired will receive the minimum prize of £10, while all the survivors will have chances to increase their prize money on the final day when the remaining 30 holes will be played.

Badminton

LADIES' LEAGUE RESULTS

Two Recreio Teams Win Easily

Both Club de Recreio teams were successful in the ladies' section of the Badminton League last evening, the "A" team defeating the European Y.M.C.A. by 9-0 and the "B" team beating St. Andrew's by 8-1.

Scores:

RECREIO "A" v. EUROPEAN "Y"

Mrs. N. Castro and Miss M. Xavier (Recreio) beat Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Honey 21-2; beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Short 21-0; beat Mr. Hamden and Mrs. Kerr 21-1.

Miss O. Ribeiro and Miss M. Ribeiro (Recreio) beat Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Honey 21-4; beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Short 21-4; beat Mrs. Hamden and Mrs. Kerr 21-0. Miss C. M. Silva and Miss M. Silva (Recreio) beat Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Honey 21-10; beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Short 21-13; beat Mrs. Hamden and Mrs. Kerr 21-0.

RECREIO "B" v. ST. ANDREW'S

Miss S. Remedios and Miss I. Pereira (Recreio) lost to Miss M. Churn and Miss A. E. Greiner 13-21; beat Miss F. Wong and Miss J. Wong 21-15; beat Mrs. M. Anderson and Miss G. White 21-4.

Miss A. Noronha and Miss M. Oliveira (Recreio) beat Miss Churn and Miss Greiner 21-9; beat Mrs. Wong and Miss Wong 21-8; beat Mrs. Anderson and Miss White 21-7.

Mrs. S. Sousa and Miss A. Remedios (Recreio) beat Miss Churn and Miss Greiner 21-10; beat Miss Wong and Miss Wong 21-13; beat Mrs. Anderson and Miss White 21-6.



"Two-Ton" Tony Galento, of Orange, N.J., contender for the world's heavyweight boxing championship, is certain of beating Joe Louis if and when they meet. Stricken with pneumonia last July, he made a good recovery and recently beat Harry Thomas by a technical knockout in the third round. He claims to train on beer and is owner of a pub.

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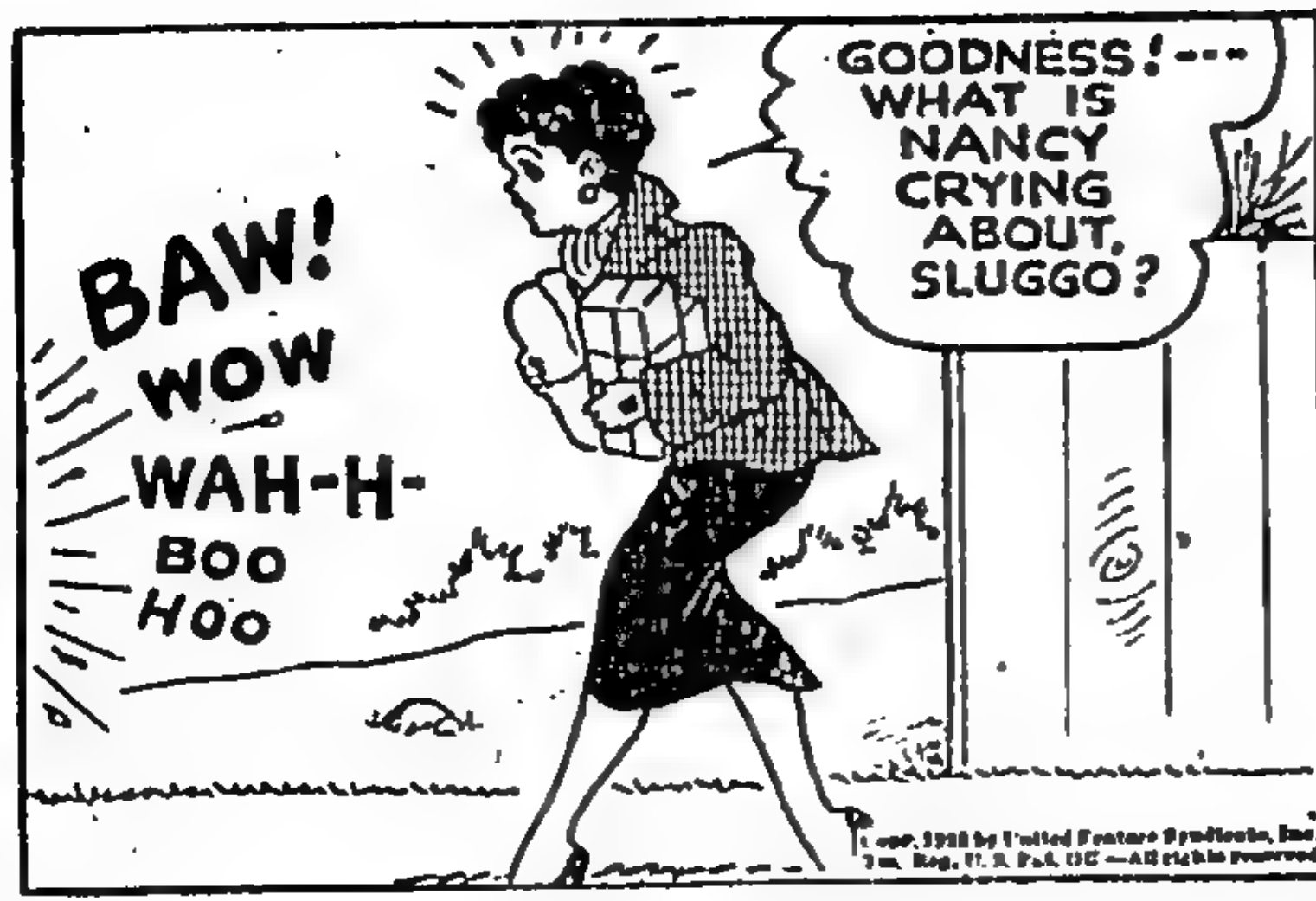
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LATEST GOSSIP FROM HOMESIDE SPORTS

CAMPAIGN TO OBTAIN BETTER CONDITIONS FOR ENGLISH BOXERS

London, Nov. 18. PUNCH-DRUNK boxers should be suspended from boxing until they are fit again, and special medical officers should attend fights to report on men showing signs of punch-drunkenness. This is one of the recommendations of the National Boxing Association in its campaign for better conditions. Proposing the sterilising of gloves after each contest, the N.B.A. points out that "Dirty, sweaty gloves harbour germs and are a grave danger to boxers and others. Blindness has been caused by dirty gloves."

Hampston's Case

L HAMPSTON, bantam-weight boxing champion of the North, hung up his gloves for the last time on Wednesday night—his manager, Joe Shepherd, of Newcastle, foretold for him a future in the ring which might end in punch-drunkenness. "When a man is punch-drunken he has no brains left," Mr. Shepherd stated. During his eight years in the ring, Hampston has twice fought for the British title.

For Stud Farm?

HELLENQUA is to make another appearance at Newmarket—not this time as a competitor for one of our chief handicaps, but as one of the lots to be sold on the Wednesday during the December Sales Week. It is common knowledge that she could have been bought for rather

less than £500 in Cambridgeshire week. Before carrying off the Cambridgeshire, Hellenqua won no fewer than 16 races in France in four seasons, so she has made herself worthy of a place in any stud farm. The Racing fixture list for 1940 is rather unusual, as sport under Jockey Club rules will be begun on Easter Monday, March 25.

Rugby Mix-Up

It is announced officially by the Rugby Football Union that W. H. Hopkin, the former Newport and Welsh International three-quarter who last March was expelled from the Welsh Union for alleged infringement of the amateur code, had signed professional forms for Swansea and would play for them on Saturday, Mr. S. Jones, secretary of the club said: "It is quite true, Hopkin came to terms with us on Wednesday." Meantime, Hopkin emphatically denied the signing. "I have not signed forms for any Rugby League club. I am not a professional." It will be recalled that a request by Hopkin for reinstatement by the Welsh Union last September was refused.

Easier For Cyclists

A NEW international document, which will make it possible to cycle across Europe with the minimum Customs formalities, is announced by the Cyclists Touring Club. It is called a Carnet de Passages en Douane and replaces the separate Customs tickets and trip-tiques which have previously been necessary to avoid paying Customs dues at each frontier. France is the only important country where the carnet will not be valid. A Customs ticket and "circulation permit" will in this case still be necessary.

Hall's Record

EVERY London footballer must feel proud of Willie Hall, the Tottenham inside-forward, who made English Soccer history at Old Trafford in the international match against Ireland this week. Three goals in three minutes in the first half of a match of this class is enough to place a man among the immortals. But to cap it with two more goals in the second half is a wonder afternoon Willie Hall is not likely to forget. Hall's five goals is a record in individual feat for England in a full international match. Scotland's record is held by Hugh Gallacher, once of Chelsea, who when Scotland beat Ireland by 7-3 at Belfast in 1920 scored five times.

Soccer Transfers

TWO striking developments in the football transfer-market have been reported this week. It is reported that Sheffield Wednesday have made an offer to Derby County for Sammy Crooks, the international outside right. Sunderland have offered £22,000 for the Glasgow Celtic players—Crum, a centre forward, and Delaney, but have been informed that it is not a bit of use making the journey to Glasgow as the players could not be transferred. Although definite information of the Crooks' negotiations was not forthcoming, Sheffield are hopeful of getting the players.

To Give Up Rugby

C. J. Reidy, the Irish international forward, is to give up Rugby in order to go in for serious coaching

Swimming Record Established

Copenhagen, Dec. 6. The German swimmer, Joachim Balke, established a new world record of 7 mins. 23.3 secs. for the 500 metres breast-stroke event in Aarhus to-day.

The former record of 7 mins. 23.8 secs. was held by the American, Kaye. — *Trans-Ocean.*

GOLF CLUB MEETING

The annual general meeting of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club will be held in the board-room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson on Friday, December 16, at 5.30 p.m.

John Bromwich Carries Off N. S. W. Title

Sydney, Dec. 4. The finals of the New South Wales tennis championships were a triumph for youth. In the men's doubles, John Bromwich and Adrian Quist beat Harry Hopman and Len Schwartz 8-6, 6-1, 3-6, 10-8. Bromwich beat his doubles partner, Quist, in the singles final 6-2, 6-4, 6-2. Miss Thelma Coyne defeated Miss Joan Hartigan in the women's singles championship 6-2, 6-2.

EWO BOWLING LEAGUE

Scoreless Wonders beat Rollers by 456 in the semi-final of the Ewo Indoor Bowling League last night.

Scoreless Wonders	Rollers
D. Molten	177
R. Venezia	155
F. Henderson	127
S. Church	133
Total	1,092

CLUB CRICKET TEAMS

The following teams will represent the Hongkong Cricket Club against the Club de Reccolo in friendly games of cricket on Saturday: 1st XI (at home)—H. Owen Hughes, F. H. Stokes, L. D. Kilbee, J. H. Fox, A. C. Beck, T. A. Pearce, C. D. M. Walker, L. T. Rile, M. F. L. Haynes and P. H. Scoones. 2nd XI (away)—R. S. W. Paterson, N. P. Fox, V. C. Bond, D. S. Robb, C. W. E. Bishop, G. S. Lovell, D. S. Blake, R. M. M. King, D. O. Parsons, S. J. Cooke and L. A. R. Duncan.

In field events, it was Franz Stampf, the Austrian coach in charge of the South London Harriers, who runs their headquarters at Coudon, who inspired Reidy by assuring him that he has real potentialities as a discus and hammer thrower. Reidy has been a prominent member of the London Irish Rugby pack for a good many seasons. He was capped by Ireland against Wales in 1937.

Kid Tanner Beaten

KID Tanner, British Guiana bantam and featherweight champion, was beaten for the first time by a British Boxer on Thursday night. He lost on points over ten rounds to Tommy Burns (Stockton), at Liverpool. Tanner had previously won twenty-one successive fights in this country. Tanner took his defeat in a splendid spirit. He was nursing a swollen left hand in the dressing room after the fight, and he said: "This is a good break for Burns. I thought I had won. I hope Burns can go on winning; then perhaps we can get together again."



Mrs. A. E. Southard, wife of the Consul General for the United States of America in Hongkong, sitting the first ball in the opening game of the Ladies' Softball League, which was inaugurated last Sunday. The match was that between the Filipino Club and the Club de Reccolo. Mr. L. R. Hildebrand, President of the League, is looking on.—Photo by Ming Yuen.

DEANNA SCORES AGAIN

"That Certain Age" Wins Approval

"That Certain Age", a Universal production is a somewhat new style of story for that attractive little singer and actress, Deanna Durbin. The film, which was previewed yesterday morning, will commence local screenings at the Queen's and Alhambra, shortly. It is an excellent production and, in the opinion of this reviewer, should on no account be missed.

In this film, the screen development of Deanna Durbin has taken a further step for she now plays the part of a schoolgirl who imagines love with a weary reporter. In short, the film is a romantic comedy of adolescence. Edward Ludwig, the director, has handled this difficult subject with admirable tact and restraint.

Naturally, opportunities are made for the introduction of songs—for what Deanna Durbin would be complete without them? Oddly enough, though, major interest is concentrated upon her ability to convey a state of adolescent romance that is touching and charming.

The humour in the film is honest and straightforward and rouses hearty understanding laughter. Deanna Durbin is the young girl, Alice Fullerton, who mixes with a gang of youngsters and is extremely fond of Ken (Jackie Cooper). A famous reporter, Vincent Bullitt (Melvyn Douglas), arrives to spend a holiday with her father. At first, Alice and the gang resent his arrival, but later the young girl ignores her friends and treats Ken with scant consideration in her efforts to please the new arrival. Eventually, her family realize the position and it is only after the welcome arrival of Grace, another reporter who pretends she is Bullitt's wife, that the

Kid Tanner May Be A Champion

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However, Boon's manager is as confident as ever. He assured me that Boon can be matched with Danahar at 9st. 9lb. immediately, over any distance. Mr. John Harding of the N.S.C. (who are providing Danahar with motherly guidance), stated that Danahar was equally keen to fight Boon.

WHY WAIT?

So what are they waiting for? Maurice Strickland, having returned to New York, thus causing the collapse of his Empire heavyweight bout with Larry Gains (which would have collapsed, anyway), Gains claims the championship.

The Board might as well give it to him, and allow George James to challenge for it when he meets Gains at Cardiff on December 7. The men were matched yesterday. In any case, this fight offers James a big chance. Gains may be a veteran, but he is a formidable one, and a victory over him would be a fine feather in James's cap. If James surmounts this hurdle, Mr. Sydney J. Hulls will match him with the winner of the coming Harvey-Phillips contest.

young girl's dreams are shattered and she regains her accustomed high spirits. Melvyn Douglas is delightful as the weary reporter whilst Irene Rich as the young girl's mother makes a welcome reappearance to the screen. It is many years now, since Irene Rich delighted film audiences. Jackie Cooper quite grown-up these days, is the young sultor. Special mention must be made of the delightful performance given by little Junita Quigley as his persistent small sister.

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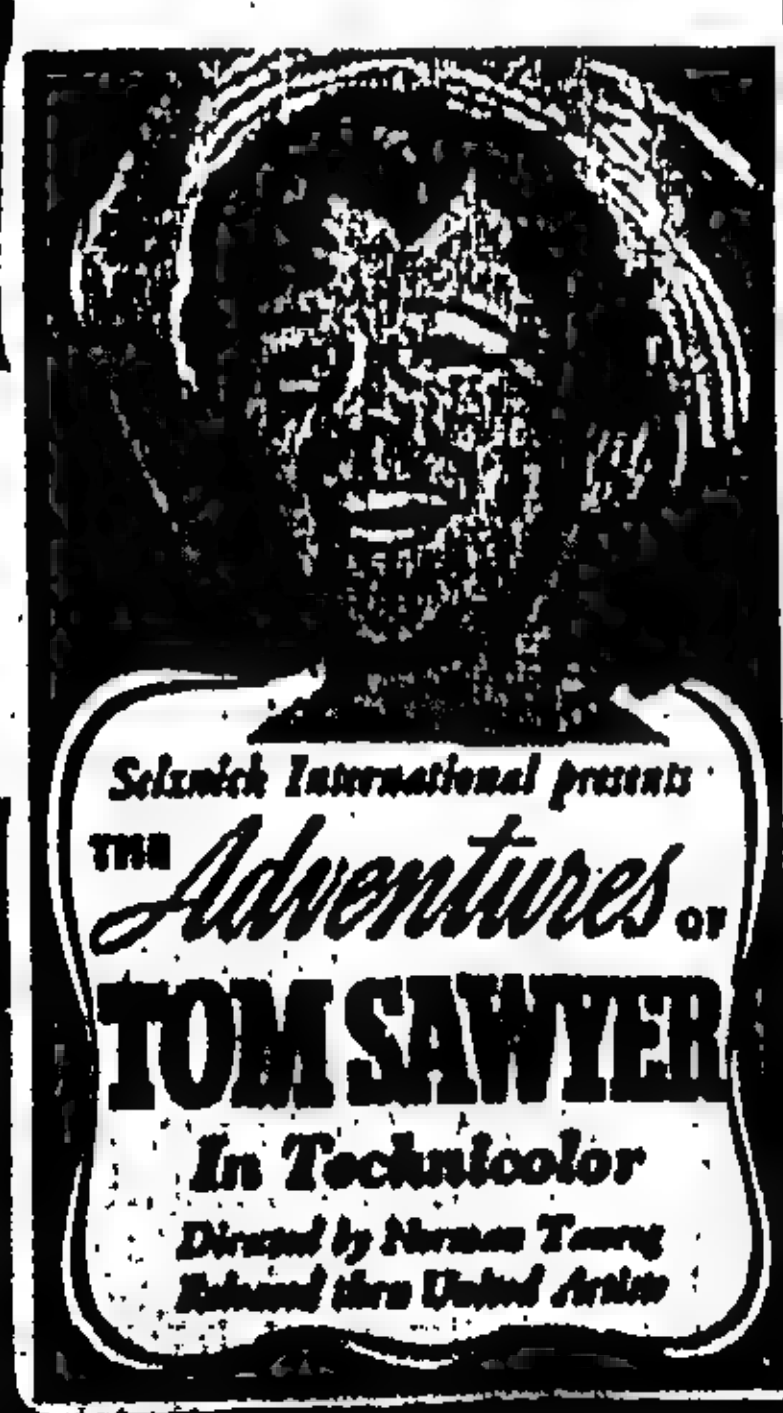
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FOREIGN CIVILIANS BARRED FROM USING THE YANGTSE

Must Not Travel By Warships

SHANGHAI, Dec. 6. WITH REGARD to foreign warships which come down the Yangtse, and which are allowed to return or to be replaced, the Japanese military authorities state that foreign civilians cannot accompany those warships back to Hankow or other points owing to the military position.

This question, it is stated, had to be cleared up because a number of foreign firms are anxious to utilise this opportunity to send men replacing those representatives in Hankow, who have been cut off for several months.—*Trans-Ocean*.

Prison For Ex-Revenue Officer

Admits Charges Of False Pretences

By falsely pretending that he could obtain liquor licences for them, an ex-revenue officer Kwok Ki, 35, obtained from three people sums of money amounting to \$24 in July and August this year. He was recognised by one of his victims yesterday, who had him arrested. Defendant pleaded guilty to three charges of obtaining money by false pretences when he appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, and was sentenced to one month on each charge, the sentences to run consecutively. Detective Sergeant J. Johnston prosecuted, and said defendant was in the Revenue Department for two years, but was dismissed last year.

MANILA SHARES

The following quotations were received after the close of the morning session through Reuters:

Business Done	Prices in Pesos	Dec. 6, Dec. 7.
Antamok	47	50
Atok	26 1/2	26 1/2
Baguio Gold	22 1/2	23
Benquet Cons.	13 1/2	13 1/2
Coco Grove	50	50
Consolidated Mines	Unq.	Unq.
Demonstration	25	Unq.
I.X.L.	65	65
Paracale Gumau	12	Unq.
San Maurice	180	180
Suyoc	10 1/4	Unq.
United Paracale	50	49

The following is Swan, Culberson & Fritz' report on this morning's market:

The Manila market held a quiet session with Antamok showing the only gain, 3 points. The other stocks were unchanged with the exception of Baguio Gold which was down 1/2 point, and I.X.L. and United Paracale which were down 1 point. Also, United Paracale went ex-dividend.

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Collect Clothing For Refugees



The Girl Students' Body of K'woon has been busy recently collecting old clothing to be distributed to refugees for protection against the coming winter weather. This picture shows some of the collectors with an imposing array of clothing collected for this purpose.—Photo A. A. Khan.

20 Miners Die In Fearful Accident

Sydney, Dec. 6. A score of miners lost their lives, and 20 were injured when a railway car broke away down an incline almost a mile long at Princess colliery, and crashed at high speed into the end of a pit. About 250 men were travelling in the car, and many saved themselves by jumping clear.—*Reuter Special*.

N. Ireland Parliament

Belfast, Dec. 6. The King's speech, read by the Governor-General at the opening of the new Session of the Northern

Ireland Parliament referred to the

international situation. The Governor-General said it is a source of general satisfaction that the international situation has greatly improved.—*Reuter*.

Caning For Earring Snatchers

"I am going to order caning whenever possible in every case of earring-snatching. I am going to put a stop to this." These remarks were made by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning when he remanded an 18-year-old man, Yuen Kwok-leung, to see if he was fit for caning.

Defendant was charged with snatching a pair of gold earrings from a woman in Lee Tung Street, Wanchai, yesterday. Inspector A. V. Baker, who prosecuted, said that it was a particularly bad case, as the victim was a 66-year-old widow.



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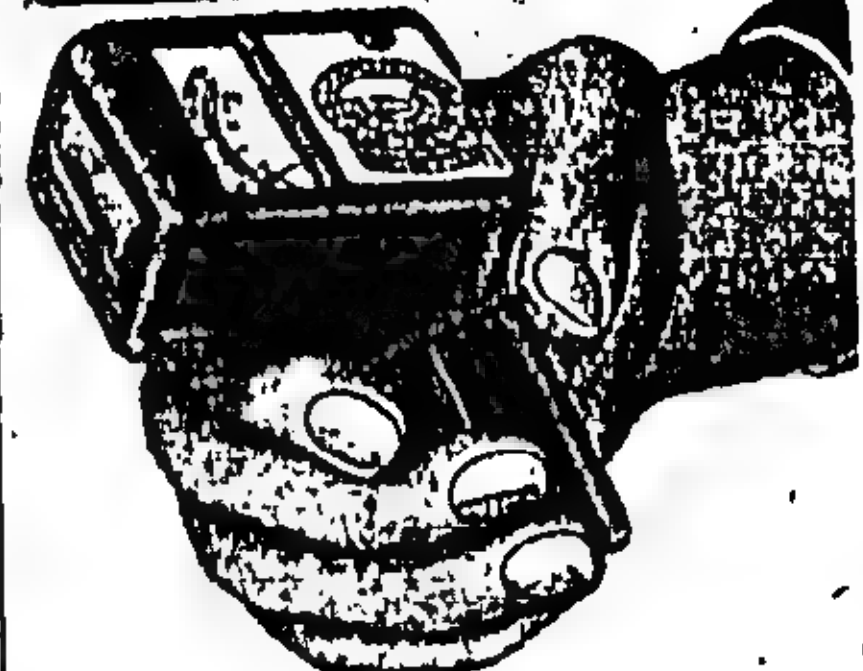
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Mrs. N. L. SMITH OPENS RECENT BAZAAR



Group photograph taken at the opening of the recent annual bazaar held in aid of the Diocese of Victoria, Hongkong.—Mee Cheung.



The Diocesan Boys' School Shoo Shining Club who were a novel attraction at the recent bazaar held at St. Paul's College.—Mee Cheung.



Members of the Diocesan Boys' School Shoo Shining Club had a brisk trade at the recent bazaar.—Staff Photographer.



Dr. Katie Woo, Principal of St. Paul's Girls' College, and Mrs. N. L. Smith at the annual bazaar held recently in aid of the Diocese of Victoria, Hongkong.—Staff Photographer.



Mrs. N. L. Smith, accompanied by Dr. Katie Wood, Principal of St. Paul's Girls' College, arriving to open the recent bazaar held in aid of the Diocese of Victoria, Hongkong.—Staff Photographer.



Two tiny tots presenting Mrs. N. L. Smith with a bouquet of flowers after she opened the bazaar.—Staff Photographer.

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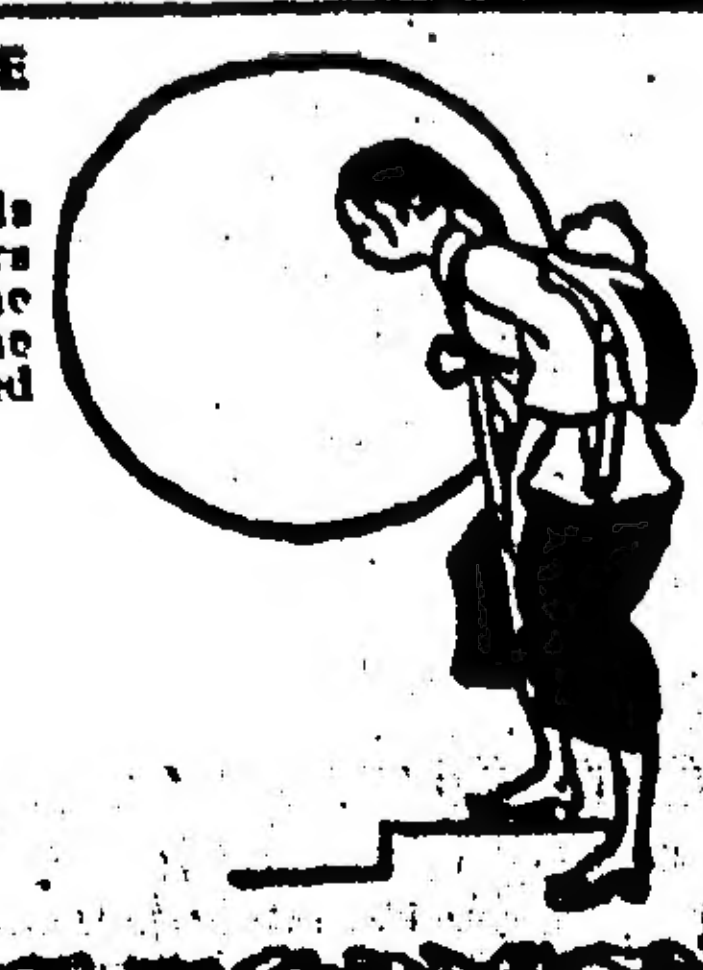
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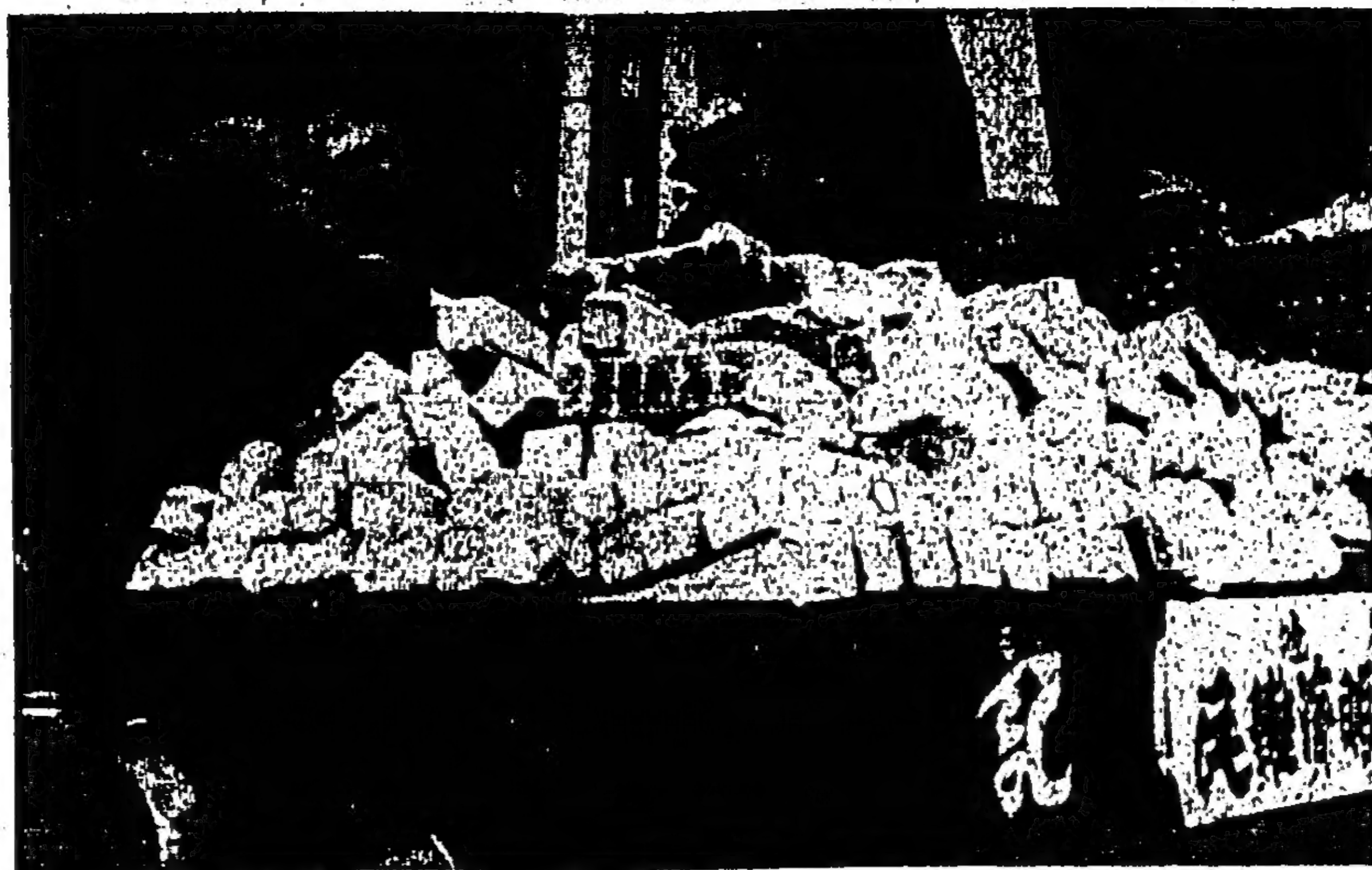
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BREAD FOR STARVING REFUGEES.—Trucks, each loaded with hundreds of loaves of bread, form a constant procession along the Taiipo Road from Kowloon as they take food to refugees in the various concentration camps in the New Territories.—Staff Photographer.

S.P.C.A. Protest Against Cruelty To Birds

THE RECENT ARRIVAL in Hongkong of a large number of Australian birds and five kangaroos, and revelations that two emus, also consigned to captivity in this Colony, had committed "suicide" on the voyage, may have a sequel.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is investigating the matter.

Violent objection to the traffic in animals and birds was made by the President of the Society when interviewed by the "Telegraph" this morning.

"The Society would like to stop this trade in wild animals and birds not born in captivity," he said.

"The S.P.C.A. in Hongkong have tried to induce the Government to assist in controlling this trade in the Colony, even if they do not prohibit it.

"As an example, take the trade in monkeys and wild cats that are brought here and sold for food. We have asked the Government to stop this, but they will not take action.

CONDITIONS TERRIBLE

"We have also asked the Government to license what is known as 'bird shops' where bird and animals are kept in captivity.

"So far, our attempts have been unsuccessful. These bird shops are regularly visited by an Inspector of the S.P.C.A. and members of the committee, and taken on a whole, the conditions witnessed are terrible.

"They are much worse than the bird shops that dealt in this trade in Canton.

In Hongkong, the shops are small and dark, having little holes and corners where the animals are tucked away."

In further discussing the trade in wild animals in Hongkong, the Chairman of the S.P.C.A. made mention of the recent visit to Hongkong of five giant pandas, two blue sheep, a musk deer and a golden-haired monkey. They were en route from Szechuan to Whipsnade Zoo.

The S.P.C.A. felt strongly about this particular part of the trade, he said. They used this visit as an object lesson and took every opportunity to strongly disapprove of the whole trade.

"The only thing we can do," he said, "is to prosecute for cruelty, which we would do if necessary. But what constitutes cruelty is a matter of opinion."

PLAY ON SYMPATHIES

"In these bird shops a large part of the revenue is obtained by playing on the sympathy of tourists and soft-hearted visitors who call on the shops. In the main, they usually buy the animals merely to release them from their cramped quarters."

It is interesting to note that the S.P.C.A. in Hongkong is applying for affiliation with London. There is a projected scheme for the joining up of the societies in the Far East in the hope of stopping this trade.

Canton Post Office Re-opens

(Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, Dec. 4.
Although it was believed that the central post office in Canton would be re-opened at the old Pearl Theatre, which is situated far from Shammen, a more central location has been found, and, according to a notification issued by the Postal Commissioner, the new post office would be functioning on Monday at the erstwhile Canton Theatre, which faces the Bund, and is just east of the Taping Maloo.

The new arrangements will be beneficial to the natives living in the city, as hitherto there has been no way to their getting letters to Hongkong.

Trading Spurt On London Stock Exchange

London, Dec. 6.

Remarkable activity was witnessed during the first two hours of trading on the foreign exchanges to-day.

The market opened with a resumption of the overnight trend in which sterling and the franc were very firm in terms of dollars and other gold currencies. The sterling-dollar rate was initially quoted at 4.6887 compared with 4.6958 last night, and appreciated to 4.70, at which level the British authorities came into the market and absorbed a considerable amount of dollars. When the wave of dollar sales had subsided, the control withdrew whereupon sterling reacted to 4.69.

Well-informed circles attributed the volte face partly to a commercial demand for American currency, and partly to a covering demand from speculators who sold dollars heavily with the rate at 4.70 in the mistaken belief that the control would not hold the pound at this level.

Meanwhile the demand for the franc is still described as "frenzied," and the authorities in Paris are reported to have acquired large amounts of foreign exchange again to-day, one report mentioning the acquisition of nearly £2,000,000 in the space of ten minutes.

Despite rigorous official intervention spot franc appreciated to 177.53 compared with 177.63 at the close yesterday, while francs for delivery in a month's time command a premium of six centimes over spot.

ACTIVE SALES

London, Dec. 6.
French selling of gilt-edged stocks and Kafirs, together with Mr. Oswald Frow's statement in which he voiced the opinion that Europe was drifting into war unless there was a complete change in outlook, caused a generally lower trend in all groups on the London Stock Exchange to-day, although an exhaustion of the selling in the afternoon allowed the development of a steadier undertone.

Foreign exchanges were active, but generally irregular, apart from the French franc which appreciated strongly, despite official intervention. Wall Street was irregular, then firm.—Reuter Special.

TWO LADIES HAVE BAGS SNATCHED

Two ladies were the victims of snatch-thieves yesterday when they lost their handbags containing money and jewellery to the value of \$114.

Miss Auger of Kowloon Hospital, reported the loss of her bag in Waterloo Road containing money and jewellery valued at \$53. The bag which was valued at \$15 was recovered near the scene of the incident.

A handbag containing \$81 in money was snatched from Miss Chiu Hon-Kit while she was walking along Nathan Road yesterday.

ITALIAN YOUTHS DEMONSTRATE

Rome, Dec. 6.
Five hundred Italian students demonstrated outside the French Consulate at Genoa shouting "Tunis, Corse, Nice." They were dispersed by Police without incident.—Reuter.

Wreaths On Battleship In Canton

(Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, Dec. 4.

Floral wreaths were observed on a Japanese battleship tied up alongside the Bund to-day, and it is believed these are tributes to the Japanese soldiers who fell in battle during the capture of Canton, and that their remains are being taken to Japan.

AMAZING CHILD ARTIST

8-Year-Old Chinese Astounds Critics

As reported in the Telegraph on November 30, Plato Chan, the son of a member of the Chinese Embassy in London, gave an exhibition of painting in London on November 29, which drew the applause, as well as the astonishment of the leading critics.

The following details about the eight-year-old artist are given in a recent issue of the London News-Chronicle.

He was born in New York, and at



PLATO CHAN

the age of three was taken to Germany, and from there to Paris, where his father, Mr. Yat-kwong Chan, is an Attaché at the Chinese Legation. Plato began to paint at the age of 10 months. One of his pictures—of hippopotami—was painted when he was three. It will be shown at the exhibition.

His work shows a strong leaning towards caricature. He depicts Hitler, Mussolini, Neville Chamberlain (fishing), and many others in a great circus of political personalities.

Others of his pictures show the influence of Blake and Walt Disney, and all are painted or drawn with his left hand.

Plato is unaffected by success. He talks but little. The profits from his exhibition, which was held at the Cooling Galleries in New Bond Street, will go to the International Peace Hospital in China. The show itself was under the auspices of the China Medical Relief Fund.

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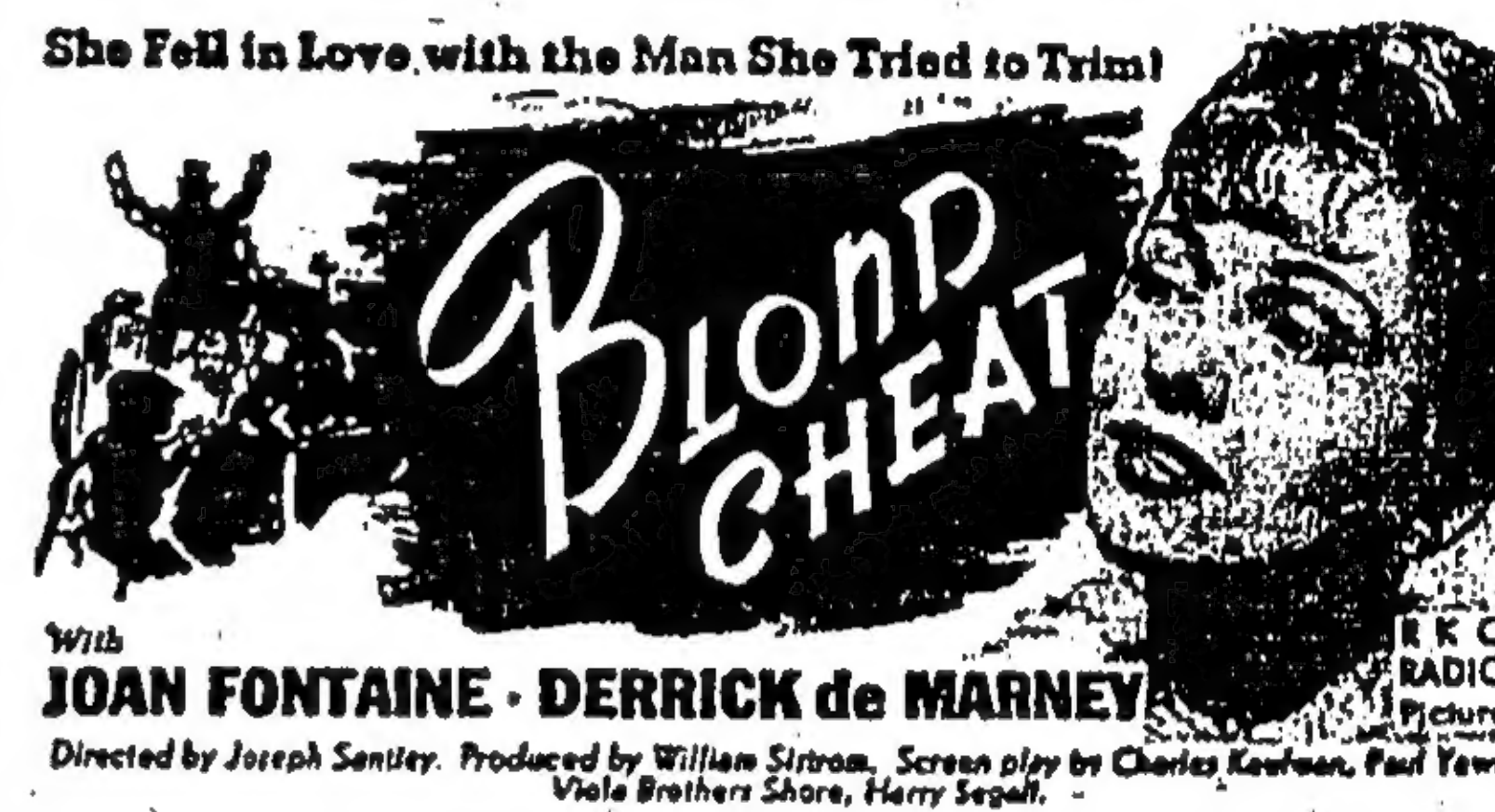


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LATE NEWS

DOCKED FOR PAINTING

It is now learned that the two trawlers docked at 9.30 a.m. to-day for "painting and, when the Chinese refused to touch the vessels, one of them withdrew back into the stream. The other has not been able to leave yet. The men stood round in groups but made no demonstration. It is understood that on their inward trip, the trawlers called at the Takoo Docks for the same job but Chinese there refused to work on them.

RELIEF FUND NOW OVER \$200,000

Headed by a donation of \$100,000 (HK\$54,405), from the Central Relief Committee of the Chinese Government, subscriptions to the Hongkong and South China Branch of the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China to-day passed the \$200,000 mark. Other munificent donations included \$10,000 from the Union Insurance Society of Canton and \$2,500 each from the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Canton Insurance Office and Hongkong Fire Insurance Company. The Star Ferry donated \$1,250.